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RICHARD ALLEN MARTIN,

MY BROTHER.

No greater calamity can happen to a people than to break utterly with its past.—GLADSTONE.

A people who forget what has been done by those who went before them, are not likely to do anything which will be remembered by those who come after them.—MACAULAY.

PREFACE.

This book is a true record of the birth, marriage, death dates, lives and relationships of all of the descendants of John George Castor, an emigrant to Pennsylvania in 1736, as far as could be learned from church registers, Bible records, wills, deeds, headstones, etc., together with the information contained in the works listed below.

"Rupp's List," "Pennsylvania Archives," "Burrage Genealogy," "One Hundred Years of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford," Scharff and Wescott's "History of Philadelphia," "Lafayette's Visit to the United States" and Rietstap's *"Armorial General."*

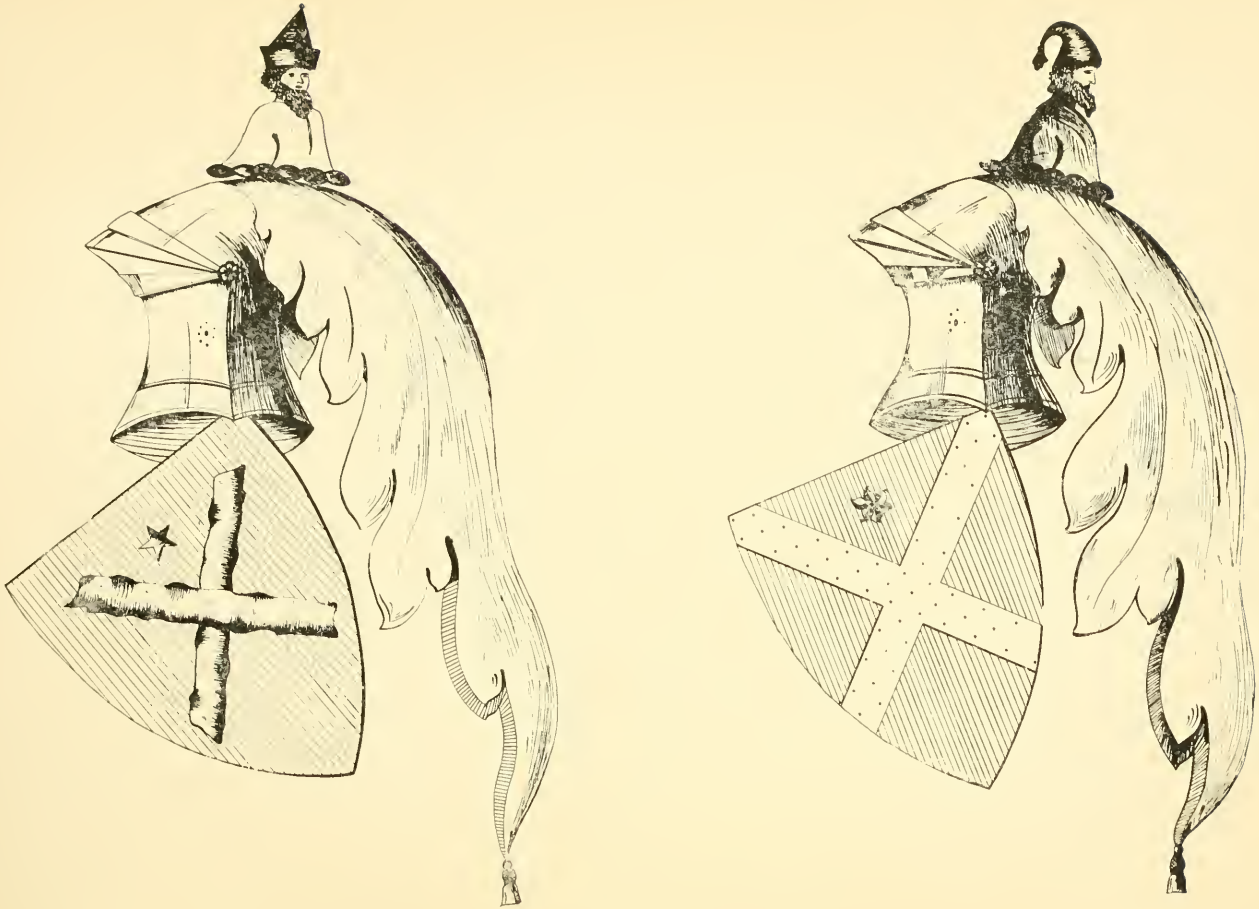
The Bible records are those contained in the Bibles of George Mathias Castor, of Holmesburg, now the property of his daughter, Mrs. William H. Allardyce; of Charles Wilkinson Castor, of Frankford; of Howard Paul Castor, of Camden; and the Dyre Family Bible, property of Mrs. Harriet Lewis, of Frankford.

A letter from Charles Deal, local historian, to William Hall Waxler, of Frankford, gave much authentic information concerning the early generations of the family in America; and a letter from Dr. John Gerster, of Basel, Switzerland, to Richard Allen Martin, together with the information contained in Rietstap's

"Armorial General" gave that which is written concerning the Castor arms.

A genealogy without errors has never yet been written. Doubtless there are some in this work, and its readers can do no greater kindness than to notify the compiler of all corrections and additions which it is within their power to make.

GEORGE CASTOR MARTIN.



THE CASTOR ARMS

GERSTER OR CASTOR HERALDRY.

The arms of the Gerster family of Basel, Switzerland, as described in a letter to Richard Allen Martin from Dr. John Gerster, of Basel, written in September, 1908.

Arms.—Gules a saltire or, in chief an estoile of the last.

Crest.—A man's bust and head clothed gules in a pointed cap or, face and hair proper.

In Rietstap's *"Armorial General"* the arms are described as follows:

Arms.—De gu a deux batons potences passes en saut la potence en haut acc. en chef d'un etoile entre les batons le tout d'or.

Crest.—Un buste d'homme hab. de gu: coiffe d'un bonnet point du me-me d'or.

THE NAME OF CASTOR.

Castor, as used by the Pennsylvania family of that name, is a purely American surname. It was originally Gerster, pronounced Gaster or Garster, and was corrupted into Carster, Caster and Castor.

As used by the family which settled in New York State, it is also purely American. In this case the name was originally De Castorer and the De and final er were dropped to form the present name.

There are records of only two of the name Castor who came to America from Europe using the name in its present form. One of these was a German, William Castor, from Oberwesel, A. R., Germany, who lived on Spring Street, Syracuse, New York. The other was a George Castor, also a German, who was in business on Sixth Avenue, New York City. There is a Nan A. De Caster now living in Melrose, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

There were nine immigrants to Pennsylvania who bore the name of Gerster, and, though it is with the first of these and his descendants with which this work deals, a list of them is not out of place here as in almost every instance where their issue exists to-day, the name is spelled Caster or Castor.

GERSTER IMMIGRANTS TO PENNSYLVANIA, 1736-1805.

Hans Georg Gerster.....1736	Casper Gerster 1748
Johan Adam Gerster.....1748	Henrich Gerster 1749
John Gerster 1768	Samuel Gerster and wife..1803
Johannes Gerster 1803	Johannes Gerster 1804

Mr. and Mrs. Gerster, of Gelterkinden.....1805

Of all these immigrants and their descendants whose names are recorded as having served in the Continental Army in the Revolution, only one retained the name of Gerster. This was Henrich Gerster, who, as will be seen by consulting the above list, emigrated

in 1749. See State Archives.

In the will of Henry Rorer, executed February 13, 1769, and recorded November 16, 1854, he left property to "Elizabeth, wife of Frederick Gerstor," and also to "Sepah (Sophia), wife of Jacob Garstor."

In a deed poll (December 23, 1811)—"Elizabeth, late wife of Frederick Coster," and "Jacob Coster, for his late wife, Sophia."

In 1762, George Castor, the founder of the Holmesburg, Frankford and Wissinoming Castor families, who had given his name as "Hans Georg Gerster" in taking passage for America, had his name written "George Castor" on the deed for property which he purchased in Oxford Township.

In the registers of the German Reformed and Moravian Churches are the birth records and some of the marriage records of the children of George Castor. In every case where the name appears on either record it is spelled in the old form. This is so even in the records of Mathias Castor, the grandson of George Castor by his eldest son, George. The same names are all to be found in the records of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford and in every case the name is Castor or Caster.

The following records from the German Reformed Church register show the second marriage of George Castor, the marriage of his grandson, George Castor, son of his son Frederick, and the marriage of his granddaughter, Margaret Castor, daughter of Frederick. All were living near Frankford at these dates and were known by the name of Castor.

John George Gerster married December 2, 1782, Anna Maria Burghart.

George Gerster married March 22, 1787, Margaret Jung.

Margaret Gerster married March 27, 1787, Jacob Myer.

JOHN GEORGE CASTOR (Hans Georg Gerster)

OF BASEL, SWITZERLAND

WHO IMMIGRATED TO AMERICA AND SETTLED IN PENNSYLVANIA
IN 1736

HIS FATHER AND HIS CHILDREN

THE OLD CASTOR HOMESTEAD

Built about the year 1762 by John George Castor, the emigrant, on his plantation near Frankford. It is situated on the northwest side of Castor Road, above Dark Run Lane. This property became the possession of John George Castor's second son, Lieutenant Frederick Castor, and from him descended to his fifth son, General Samuel Castor.

1. Hans Gerster was born in Basel, or Basle, Switzerland, in the latter part of the 17th Century. He left issue, with other children.

2. Hans Georg Gerster (John George Castor), who was born in Basel*, March 5, 1710. In the year 1735, he married Eve ——, who emigrated with him to Pennsylvania, where she died July, 1777. "Hans Georg Gerster," as his name appears on the ship's list (see Pennsylvania Archives), sailed on the ship "Princess Agusta, Samuel Merchant, Master, of Rotterdam, last from Cowes," in 1736. He took the oath of allegiance in Philadelphia, September 16th of the same year, which was only a short time after he landed. In the record of his oath of allegiance his name is written "Hance George Gerster."

John George Castor remained in Philadelphia a few years and his two eldest sons were born in that city. He removed to Germantown, where, in January, 1746, he (Hans Gerster) was one of the petitioners to the Moravian Brethren in Bethlehem asking them to establish a school for girls in Germantown. He was for a time connected with the Moravian Church in which faith four of his children, Veronica, Abraham, Hannah and Sarah were baptised. See

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* The Rev. William R. Scott writes that he traces the family back to Berne and not to Basel. There exists several reasons for making the statement that George Castor was from Basel. The Rev. Thomas Murphy made considerable research in the matter and had the advantage of knowing many of the early Castors. In his history of the Frankford Church he states that the founders were from "Basle." Later he visited Switzerland and made research there. He found that George Castor, the emigrant, was from Basel and that his branch of the family was a large one and was spread well over Basel and Canton Glarus adjoining. Another strong reason for belief in the Basel origin of George is the letter written to William Hall Waxler by Charles Deal. In this letter, which we reprint in this work, he states that George and his (Charles Deal's) grandfather came from the same place in Switzerland, namely "Balle."

Moravian Church register.

On March 10, 1762, he purchased of Joseph Hart, a plantation of 202 acres, in Oxford Township, Philadelphia County. In the deed he is styled "of Germantown," and the name is "George Castor." At the time of this purchase he removed to the plantation then acquired and continued to reside there until his death, December 29, 1797, aged 87 years, 9 months, 3 weeks and 3 days.

John George Castor was one of the founders of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford, and one of its largest contributors, as well as one of its officers. In the history of this church, written by the Rev. Thomas Murphy, he is spoken of as a man of iron will. See quotations from this history which are reprinted in the back of this work.

In 1769, as is shown in the third series of the Pennsylvania Archives, "George Castor, Sr.," was taxed on 200 acres, 4 horses and 6 cattle; and his payment was 22 pounds, 1 shilling and 4 pence. In 1774 he was taxed on the same acreage, the same number of horses and one more cow. For this year he paid the sum of 22 pounds, 2 shillings and 1 penny. In 1781 his property was valued at 1,373 pounds and his tax bill called for payment of 19 pounds, 4 shillings and 5 pence. This valuation, which in present-day money would be equal to about $6,725, in the hands of one man in those days, was considered a fairly large fortune, and, according to the tax records of 1781, George Castor was numbered among the wealthiest in Oxford Township. A saw-mill was located on George's property, which was run by the water power of Tacony Creek.

His children were eight in number and were all by his first wife. His second wife, Anna Maria Burghart, whom he married in the German Reformed Church, Philadelphia, December 2, 1782, and called Mary in his will, survived him.

THE OLD CASTOR HOMESTEAD ON CASTOR ROAD

Side View.

Issue:—

3. George b. Dec. 14, 1736. Of whom presently.

4. Frederick b. Apr. 27, 1739. Of whom presently.

5. Mary Elizabeth m. Philip Cresman.

6. Jacob b. 1742. Of whom presently.

7. Veronica bap. Dec. 14, 1745. d. unmarried, Aug. 7, 1806.

8. Abraham bap. July 4, 1747. m. May 15, 1776, Elizabeth Hendricks. He was taxed in the year 1779 as a resident of Lower Dublin Township, Philadelphia County, and his payment was 5 shillings. In 1782 his property was valued at 50 shillings and he paid to the State 7 shillings and 8 pence. In 1783 he was taxed on 125 acres, 2 horses, 2 cattle and 2 sheep, all in Abington Township. He left twin daughters, b. Feb. 18, 1782. One of these was Hannah, who m. Thomas Funston. Thomas was b. Feb. 19, 1788, and d. June 20, 1829. Hannah d. June 25, 1883. Her twin survived her. This is a most unusual occurence. Hannah lived to be over 101 years of age (the record is on her headstone in Cedar Hill Cemetery) and her twin lived after her death. Mr. Charles Deal is the authority for the fact that Hannah's twin survived her. I have been unable to secure any record of her death. Abraham had other issue, but it is believed that none of them reached maturity. Three daughters and a son are mentioned in the Presbyterian Church records as being interred in the yard of that Church.

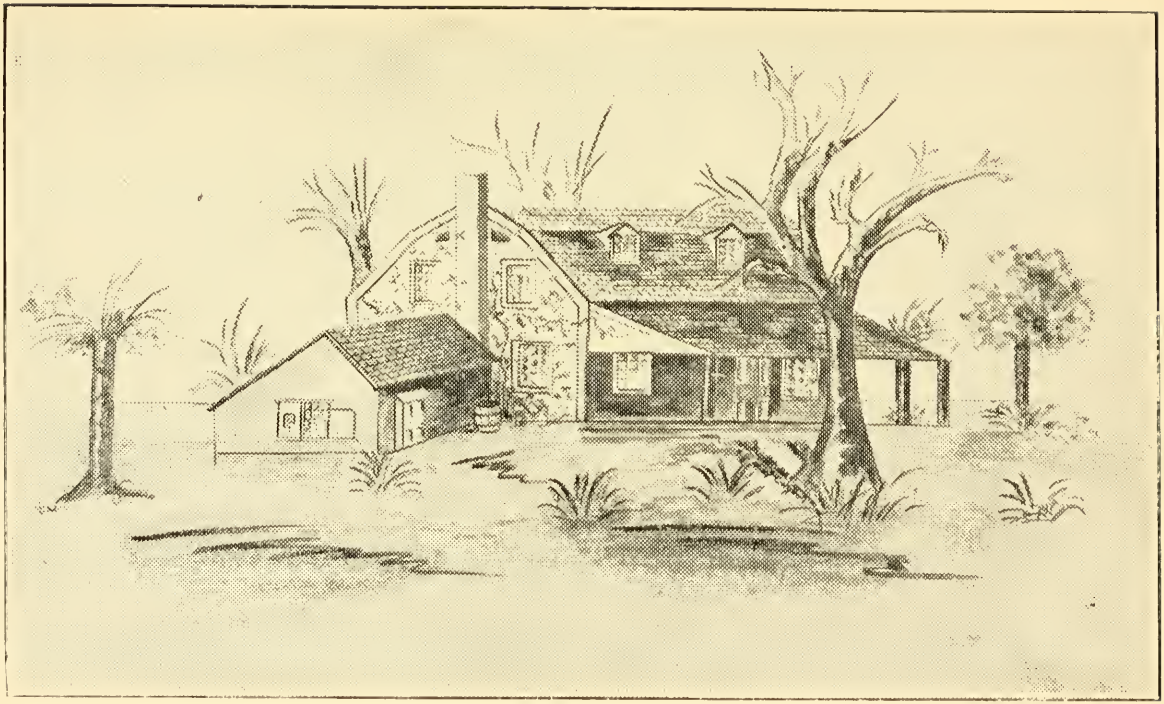
9. Hannah bap. Palm Sunday, 1749. m. Jacob Snyder.

10. Sarah b. June 8, 1751. bap. Aug. 11, 1751. m. Thomas Evanger, Sr., who d. Dec. 8, 1813, age 61 years, 10 months, and 21 days. Sarah d. Nov. 8, 1800.

GEORGE CASTOR

ELDEST SON OF JOHN GEORGE CASTOR, NO. 2

AND HIS DESCENDANTS



PENNYPACK FARM

The home of four generations of the Castors of Holmesburg. Drawn from memory.

3. George Castor was born December 14, 1736, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. On July 9, 1765 (see register of the German Reformed Church, Philadelphia), he married Margaretha (in later records written Margaret) Shuterle, who died August 16, 1811, in her 67th year. Mr. Castor was a farmer and resided in Oxford Township. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford, and when he died, May 25, 1811, he was interred in the yard of that church. His wife, who died less than three months later, was buried beside him. George undoubtedly served in either the Revolutionary Army or Militia, but proof of this is lacking to the present time, owing to the imperfect records of the State. The State Archives, which show that his younger brothers, Frederick and Jacob, held commissions in the Militia, do not mention either George or his eldest son, Mathias, although, in the "Siege of Yorktown," the latter's name is mentioned. In the Archives, in the volumes pertaining to the Militia and "Minute Men," it will be noticed that, in the majority of instances, only the officers of the regiments and companies are given. The names of the non-commissioned officers and privates are lacking.

George was a patriot. This is well proven by the following story which was told by Mathias to his children and has been handed down to the present generation. The story is here written by Howard Paul Castor and is exactly as it was told him by his grandfather, George Johnson Castor, son of Mathias:

"During the Fall and Winter of 1777 and 1778, when the British occupied Philadelphia, they made frequent raids into the surrounding country, and on such occasions it was the 'rebel' farmer who suffered."

"During the Spring of 1778, when the British were preparing to evacuate Philadelphia, they made a raid through the section surrounding the Bristol Pike in search of horses to pull their cannon. George's team was in the field, on his Salter Lane farm, ploughing, when the British approached. Knowing him to be a 'rebel' they removed his horses from the plough and made off with them and the other stock, leaving only an old mare and a colt."

In 1769, George was taxed on two horses and three cattle. His bill called for a payment of two pounds, ten shillings and eight pence. In 1774, on the same items, he paid a State tax of ten shillings. His name is written in the tax records as "George Castor, Jr," his father's as "George Castor, Sr."

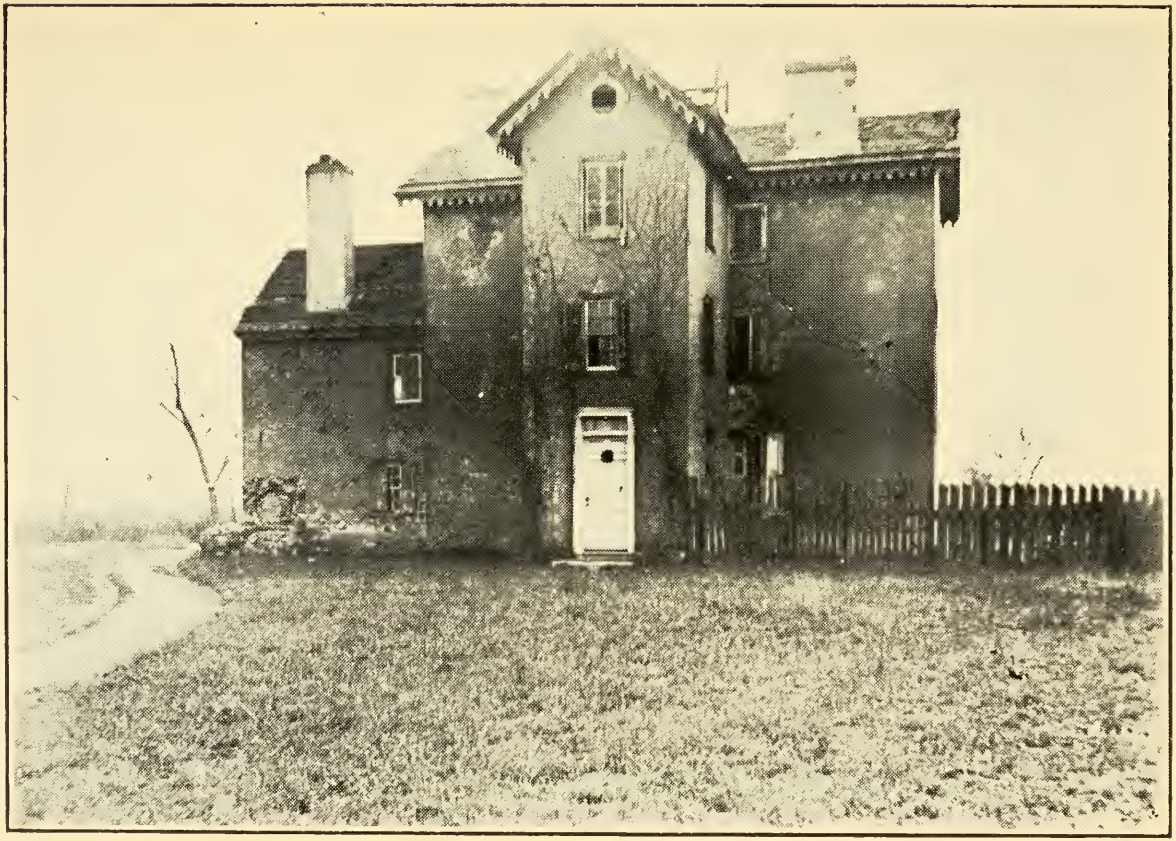
Issue:—

11. Mathias b. Oct. 14, 1766. Of whom presently.
12. Margaret b. Apr. 15, 1769, m. Jan. 25, 1791, in the old Swedes' Church, Philadelphia, James Johnson, whose sister married Margaret's brother, Mathias. James d. July 5, 1837, in his 65th year. Margaret d. Jan. 3, 1845.
13. George d. 1810.
14. Susanna b. Oct. 16, 1779, bap. Jan. 9, 1780, m. ———— Gentry.
15. William b. Oct. 15, 1782, bap. Dec. 15, 1782.

The godparents of the last two were Valentine Hoffman and his wife, Catrina.

11. Mathias Castor, eldest son of George Castor, No. 3, was born October 14, 1766,* in Oxford Township, Philadelphia County. On April 8, 1792, in the Old Swedes' Church, he married Rebecca

*In a manuscript copy of the records of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford, to be seen in the library of the Pennsylvania Historical Society, the record copied from Mathias' headstone is as follows:—Matthias Castor, born November 19, 1763. Died December 2, 1835, aged 72 years, 13 days. The



THE JOHNSON HOMESTEAD, on the Delaware, near the Frankford Arsenal.

The home of Rebecca Johnson who married Mathias Castor. The Johnson farm extended from the Delaware to what is now Ditman Street, and adjoined the Castor Farm. In the picture the remains of the old Dutch oven can be seen at the lower left hand corner of the house.

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Johnson, who was born December 20, 1774, and died October 27, 1821, whose brother married Mathias' sister, Margaret, and whose father owned the "Old Johnson Homestead," which lies on the Delaware between the "Castor Mansion" and the Frankford Arsenal. The Johnson farm was a large one and extended from the Delaware to Ditman Street, and from the farm of "Cork Leg" George Castor to the Frankford Arsenal. The house is still standing, but is in a semi-ruined condition and is inhabited by very poor people. The old Dutch oven in which Rebecca doubtless cooked many a meal is still to be seen in the rear of the house.

As has before been stated, Mathias' name does not appear in the list of the Revolutionary soldiers in the State Archives. His name is recorded, however, in a list of the soldiers who took part in the "Siege of Yorktown."

On April 2, 1801, he purchased for $13,500.00, from Jno. Holmes, Jr., a farm of 79 acres on the Delaware, known as the "Pennypack Farm," on which property the House of Correction now stands. The old homestead was torn down to make way for the present structure. Mathias also owned the farm on Salter Lane, known as the "Tennant Farm." He was the head of the Castor family. Mathias died December 2, 1835, and was interred, with his wife, in the Presbyterian churchyard, Frankford.

Issue:—

16. Margaret m. Josiah Jackson. Of whom presently.
17. Samuel. Of whom presently.
18. William b. May 26, 1797. Of whom presently.
19. Phebe. m Henry Hartley. Of whom presently.
20. George Johnson b. Mar. 18, 1802. Of whom presently.

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record on the stone itself, as it stands to-day, is so badly worn as to be undecipherable and when the copy was made for the Historical Society could not have been in much better condition. The birth date is not correct as compared with other evidence; and the age evidently a matter of deduction.

21. Rebecca b. Nov. 13, 1805. Of whom presently.

16. Margaret Castor, eldest daughter of Mathias Castor, No. 11, married Josiah Jackson.

Issue:—

22. Hannah Jackson. Living 1910.
22a. George Jackson.
23. Phebe Jackson.
24. Margaret Jackson.
25. William Jackson. Of whom presently.
26. Joel Carr Jackson.
27. Josiah Jackson.
28. Samuel Jackson. d. in Philadelphia. No issue.
29. Charles Jackson. d. in Delaware.

17. Samuel Castor, eldest son of Mathias Castor, No. 11, moved south of Philadelphia, where it is believed he died without issue.

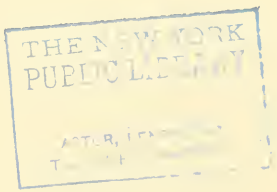
18. William Castor, second son of Mathias Castor, No. 11, was born May 26, 1797. He married May 29, 1821, in the Presbyterian Church of Frankford, Elizabeth Northrop, a descendant of Joseph Northrop, who settled in Milford, Connecticut, 1637. See Northrop-Northrup Genealogy. Elizabeth was born May 29, 1798, and died April 22, 1861. William died March 16, 1839. The early part of his life was spent on his father's farm ("Pennypack Farm") and his children were all born there. In 1835, when the old homestead was sold, he moved to a house on what is now called Frankford avenue, a short distance from Holmesburg. William succeeded his father as head of the Castor family. This title descended from him to his eldest son, John, and from him it has descended to his son, William, of Holmesburg, the present head of the family. William (No. 18) and his wife are both interred in

Margaret Castor
Wife of Josiah Jackson

Rebecca Castor
Wife of Joseph Biles

Phebe Castor
Wife of Henry Hartley

THE THREE DAUGHTERS OF MATHIAS CASTOR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THE HOME OF GEORGE JOHNSON CASTOR

Dark Run Lane and Tacony Road, now, Tulip and Howell Streets, Wissinoming.

Presbyterian Churchyard, Frankford.

Issue:—

30. Mary b. June. 7, 1823. m. George Mulerdore, of Bridesburg. d. July 7, 1881.
31. John Northrop b. Jan. 26, 1826. Of whom presently.
32. Rebecca b. May 7, 1829. m. Thomas Webster. d. June 22, 1853.
33. George Mathias b. Dec. 25, 1830. Of whom presently.

19. Phebe Castor, second daughter of Mathias Castor, No. 11, married Henry Hartley.

Issue:—

34. Josephine Hartley. m. Rev. Samuel Powers.
35. Calvin S. Hartley. Now living in Chicago.

Also two children who died while young.

20. George Johnson Castor, third son of Mathias Castor, No. 11, was born March 18, 1802, on the "Pennypack Farm" on the Delaware. He married, in the old Abington Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth, daughter of Henry and Anna Eliza Bender. Elizabeth was born August 13, 1809, and died May 27, 1900. The Bender farm, the girlhood home of Elizabeth, was located on both sides of Bristol Pike, between what is now Longshore and Unruh Streets, Philadelphia. The home was on the northwest and the barn on the southeast side of the pike.

George J., when he married, left his boyhood home on the Pennypack and with his wife settled in Wissinoming. All of his children were raised in the home he built at that time. The old home still remains on the corner of what is now Tulip and Howell Streets. See illustration.

The farm was noted for its unusual attractiveness and beauty and for its variety of fruits and abundance of beautiful flowers.

It was an ideal home, a home that he loved, a home of hospitality where many brilliant social entertainments took place and where the prominent old-time families congregated in friendship. As George was fond of hunting big game, many a feast of bear and venison took place in the old home, for, in his day, bear, deer, and even an occasional catamount, were to be found within a few hours' drive of Wissinoming.

George was a man temperate in all things. He was tall, large-boned and over six feet two inches in height. There were three George Castors in his time and, in speaking of him, he was styled "Long George" or "Tall George."

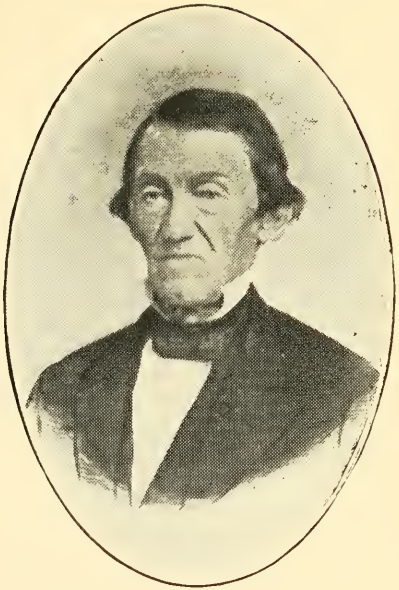
During his last years he was invalided by rheumatism and it was during this time that the portrait of him shown here was taken. The picture does not do justice to the healthy man of former years.

He raised a family of five sons and four daughters, none of whom drank or used tobacco in any form, and all of whom, at some time during their lives, were members of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford, in which church their ancestors had worshiped since it was founded in 1770.

He was a school director from 1850 to 1862, and a Trustee of the Frankford Church about the same years. He was a man of dominant will, his judgment and advice was sought by many, he bore the reputation of being a very just man, his word was as good as his bond, and when he passed away, May 5, 1870, he left a name honored, respected and untarnished. He is interred in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Issue:—

36. Emily b. April 27, 1829. Single.
37. Eliza Ann b. July 16, 1830. d. unmarried, April, 1904.
38. Henry B. b. Dec. 13, 1832. Of whom presently.
39. Howard b. Jan. 2, 1835. Of whom presently.



George Johnson Castor
1802-1870

Elizabeth Bender
Wife of George Johnson Castor
1809-1900

40. Linford b. Dec. 27, 1837. Of whom presently.
41. Barton Jenks b. Nov. 14, 1839. Of whom presently.
42. Rebecca b. July, 1841. d. March 30, 1847.
43. Theodore b. Mar., 1845. d. Aug. 29, 1867.
44. Josephine Hartley b. Feb. 7, 1853.
45. Menvilla Neice b. Jan. 6, 1854. d. unmarried Dec. 8, 1903.

21. Rebecca Castor, third daughter of Mathias Castor, No. 11, was born November 13, 1805. She married Joseph Biles, who was born April 21, 1804, and died May 30, 1885. Rebecca died June 30, 1891, and was buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Issue:—

46. Martha Biles. Did not marry.
47. Helen Biles. Did not marry.
48. George Castor Biles. Was in Confederate Army and was killed in Memphis, Tenn.
49. Charles Biles m. Alice Walton.
50. Linford Biles.
51. Edwin R. Biles. Was a General in the Union Army. m. Miss Black.
52. Margaret Biles m. Robert Keys.
53. Sarah Francis Biles m. Robert Hinckley.

25. William Jackson, second son of Margaret Castor, No. 16, and Josiah Jackson, her husband, had issue, two daughters and one son.

Issue:—

54. Helen Jackson.
55. Mathilda Jackson.
56. William Jackson.

31. John Northrop Castor, eldest son of William Castor, No. 18, was born on the "Pennypack Farm" on the Delaware, near Holmesburg, January 26, 1826.

Issue:—

57. Georgiana b. 1850.
58. William b. December 9, 1850. Of whom presently.
59. Elizabeth b. January, 1853. Single.
60. Mary Emma b. 1855. d. 1861, age 6 years.
61. Charles M. b. 1858. Of whom presently.
62. Alfred b. 1860. No issue.
63. Emily D. b. 1862.
64. Frank G. b. 1865. Of whom presently.

33. George Mathias Castor, second son of William Castor, No. 18, was born on the "Pennypack Farm," December 30, 1830. On July 13, 1854, he married Mary Elizabeth Mills, who was at that time in her seventeenth year. Mary was the daughter of Joseph Mills, son of George Mills, son of Adam Mills. Her mother was Hannah, daughter of Thomas Burrage, or Burridge, and his wife, Mary Howell. Thomas' father was Sergeant John Burrage, of the Fourth Foot Company of Militia, which fought at the Battle of Lexington, April 17, 1775, and at the Battle of Concord. Sergeant John's father was William, son of John, son of William, son of John, who was born at Norton Subcourse, England, April 10, 1616, and settled in Charlestown, Massachusetts, in 1632. John was son of Thomas, son of Richard, son of Robert, who was born 1490, and died in Seething, Norfolk, England, in 1559. Joseph Mills married Hannah Burrage in 1837. See Burrage Genealogy.

Mary was also descended from Major Humphrey Atherton, of Walton, Lancashire, England, where he commanded the Suffolk Regiment with the rank of Major. He married, at the age of fifteen, Mary Wales, who was at that time thirteen years of age. Major Atherton came to America and, in the year 1648, was Lieutenant of the "Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston."

George Mathias Castor
of Holmesburg
1830-1880

Mary Elizabeth Mills Castor
Wife of George Mathias Castor
1838-1891

Major Atherton was killed while reviewing his troops on Boston Common, by being thrown from his horse.

Mary was born February 19, 1838, and died March 17, 1891. George died May 16, 1880. They are both interred in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

George Mathias Castor was loved by every one who knew him. He had many friends and from what is said by them of him to-day, surely none could have lived a better, more honorable, or more wholesome life than he. He was a man of strong religious belief, but was neither narrow nor bigoted. He gave regularly ten per cent. of his income to the church. He attended the Holmesburg Presbyterian Church, which is an offshoot of that church founded by his ancestors in Frankford many years before, and occasionally attended the parent church in Frankford. His home, which was on the Main Street of Holmesburg, opposite to the Baptist Church, ran through from Main Street to the street in the rear. This was torn down by George A. Castor, his son, and new houses built in its place.

Issue:—

65. George A. b. Aug. 6, 1856. Of whom presently.
66. Mary b. May 3, 1858. Of whom presently.
67. Nellie Mills b. April 3, 1864. Of whom presently.
68. Morton b. August 3, 1866. d. Aug. 3, 1869.

38. Henry Bender Castor, eldest son of George Johnson Castor, No. 20, was born in Wissinoming, December 13, 1832. He married, January 20, 1858, Julia E. Baker, who was born May 3, 1838, and died February 19, 1899. Her father and mother, George and Susan Baker, owned the farm which extended from what is now Bridge Street to Vankirk Street and from Ditman Street to Cottage Street, between Frankford and Wissinoming. Henry was the last of the Castors to farm the Wissinoming homestead farm.

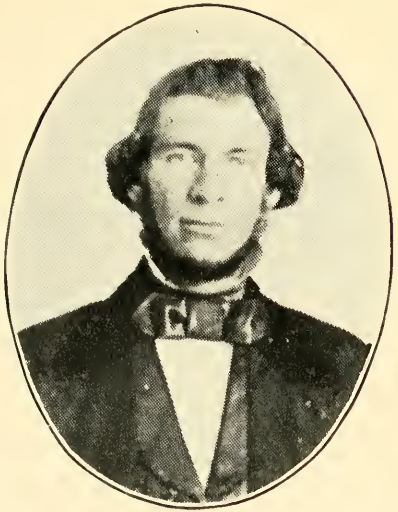
After his father's death, in 1870, he built a house on what is now Vankirk and Hegerman Streets, then a part of the farm. He and his family lived in this house and farmed the property until it was laid out in building lots. He was named for his grandfather, Henry Bender. About the time of his marriage he joined the Baptist Church on Paul Street, Frankford, and later became one of the organizers and officers of the Whitehall Baptist Church in Philadelphia. His wife was a Baptist. At the time of his wife's death he broke up his home and went to live with his son, Calvin, who is a farmer and lives near Clementon, New Jersey.

Issue:—

69. George Johnson b. July 14, 1859. Of whom presently.
70. Susan B. b. Dec. 23, 1861. d. April 10, 1882.
71. Calvin Hartley, b. Aug. 7, 1864. Of whom presently.
72. Frank H. b. July 19, 1866. Of whom presently.
73. Sadie E. b. Nov. 28, 1870. d. June 30, 1880.

39. Howard Castor, second son of George Johnson Castor, No. 20, was born in Wissinoming, January 2, 1835. He died March 19, 1909. His wife, whom he married August 28, 1858, was Eliza Jane, daughter of John Andrews and Margaret Stewart Paul, was born June 6, 1838. The Pauls were an old Huguenot family, which settled in Pennsylvania in early Colonial days. Their home was situated close to the old "Chew Mansion" in Germantown (famous in Revolutionary history) and the two families were close friends. The home, which stood in the midst of the Battle of Germantown, is still standing and the family still occupy it. The Pauls were well represented in the Revolutionary Army. Some of the family were with "Mad Anthony" Wayne at the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Paoli, Stony Point, Monmouth and others.

About the years 1856-7, Howard was a member of the choir



Howard Castor
1835-1909

Eliza Jane Paul, wife of Howard Castor
1838-Living

From Daguerotypes taken 1856-57

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of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford. When the Holmesburg Church was being organized (it was a branch of the Frankford Church) it was Howard's custom to drive in his father's buggy to Frankford and take the Rev. Thomas Murphy down to Holmesburg to the business meetings. Dr. Murphy was pastor of the Frankford Church for 47 years.

Howard was named for the Rev. Dr. Howard, who was pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford preceding Dr. Murphy. He remained in the old Wissinoming home and managed the farm for his father until he was married. He and his wife settled on Castor Road, above Oxford Pike, where he farmed. He moved later (1874) to a farm near Rockland, New Castle County, Delaware, where he also farmed and where two of his children were born (William B. and Norman S.). On January 1, 1876, he returned to Philadelphia and became a contractor and builder. The first houses built on the old homestead grounds in Wissinoming were planned and built by him. He and his son, Howard P., were for a while associated in business.

Howard, like his father, was a tall, well-built man, over six feet in height. He raised a large family and he and his wife lived to celebrate their golden wedding together. Howard was a lover of his home and family and his last years were lived in retirement. When he died he left a heritage of pleasant memories and a life record which, for honesty and goodness, is surpassed by none.
Issue:—

74. Howard Paul b. June 2, 1859. Of whom presently.
75. Linford C. b. May, 1861. d. 1861.
76. Margaret Stewart b. Aug. 28, 1862. Of whom presently.
77. Elizabeth b. Aug. 2, 1864. d. 1865.
78. Mifflin N. b. May 13, 1866. d. Oct. 10, 1883.
79. Robert B. Keys b. Aug. 29, 1868. Of whom presently.

80. John P. b. Feb. 21, 1870. Of whom presently.
81. William B. b. Feb. 25, 1874. Of whom presently.
82. Norman S. b. October 19, 1875. Of whom presently.

40. Linford Castor, third son of George Johnson Castor, No. 20, was born in Wissinoming, December 27, 1837. He married, May 10, 1866, Mary B. Brooks, who was born April 7, 1839. Mary was the daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth Brooks, of Frankford, and granddaughter of Peter Slaughter, who was one of the trustees of the Frankford Presbyterian Church in its early days. In "One Hundred Years of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford," the Rev. Thomas Murphy says of him:—"Peter Slaughter, a man affectionately remembered for his purity of character, his Christian activity, and long continued usefulness in the Church." Her father was at one time a large manufacturer of shoes in Frankford and afterward became superintendent of the Frankford Gas Works, in which position he continued for thirty years. Mary was a member of the Frankford Church, took an active interest in the Sunday School and, as a girl, sang in the choir.

Linford remained on the homestead farm until he married, when he became associated with his father-in-law in the shoe business in Frankford. He later became connected with the Philadelphia Water Works, where he remained until he retired from active business.

His home is in Wissinoming and located on a portion of the old farm on which he was born. When a young man he was librarian of the Frankford Presbyterian Church. He was also treasurer of the committee that arranged the Centennial Anniversary Celebration of the church, May 4, 1870, an occasion well remembered by all who attended.

Issue:—

83. Jonathan Brooks b. Dec. 16, 1867. d. July 14, 1886.

84. Elizabeth Brooks b. Dec. 31, 1876. m. Dec. 18, 1892, Arthur Whitaker.

41. Barton Jenks Castor, fourth son of George Johnson Castor, No. 20, was born in Wissinoming, in the old homestead on Tulip Street, November 14, 1839. He married, June 16, 1865, Mary, daughter of Jessie and Elizabeth (nee Lehman) Mancill, of Norristown, Pennsylvania. Jesse was a well known and successful manufacturer, operating the largest and best known flour mill of its day. He was a descendant of Lord Mansell, whose family name has been variously spelled Mansel, Monsel, Maunsell, Munsell, Mansell and Mancill. Elizabeth was of German ancestry, descended from the Lehman and Favenger families of Trappe, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. These families attended the old Augustus Lutheran Church, built in 1743, and in the church register are the records of many members of the two families. Many of both families are buried in the churchyard. The old Trappe Church was in continuous service for over a century when the congregation erected a larger edifice. Since the new church was built services have been held in the old one only on the first Sunday in August each year. The following description of the church is written by Mary Mancill Castor:

" 'The Old Trappe Church,' as it is called, is visited every year by a large number of tourists. An interesting chapter in its history is that it was used as a hospital by Washington's Army on the retreat after the Battle of Germantown. The church is in a remarkable state of preservation. The old-fashioned, straight-jacket pews of two centuries ago are still as strong and serviceable as ever and the massive stone walls show no signs of the wear of over a century and a half of exposure to the elements. Indeed, the only repairs done to the old building in all these years consist of a new shingle roof and a new coat of plaster on the walls."

"The burying yard, immediately back of the church, is also interesting. Many of the inscriptions are in German and date back before the Revolution. Rev. General Peter Muhlenberg, the 'Fighting Parson' of the American Revolution, is buried in the graveyard."

Barton was named for Barton Jenks, a Bridesburg manufacturer and particular friend of George Johnson Castor, his father. He was educated at Port Royal Academy. He remained on the farm until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he entered the Government service, and was placed in charge of the manufacture of ammunition in the Frankford Arsenal. In 1865 he volunteered to take a trainload of ammunition through the South to St. Louis. This he safely accomplished.

After the war he engaged in the real estate and conveyancing business, and later became associated with Walter W. Hood, and under the name of Castor and Hood, he and his partner became the leading conveyancers of Philadelphia. Barton was an active church worker and was trustee of the old Frankford Presbyterian Church. It was while serving in this capacity that he, with the devoted assistance of his wife and others, organized the Disston Memorial Presbyterian Church of Tacony. When this church was fully organized and safely housed in its present handsome structure, he took up the laborious task of organizing another church in Wissinoming.

As Wissinoming was rapidly becoming a town and needed a place of worship, the Frankford Presbyterian Church, under the pastorate of the Reverend Thomas Murphy, lent its assistance and the Wissinoming Church became an accomplished fact. The writer is qualified to attest that it was due to Barton Castor and his devoted wife, their labors and Christian liberalities, that these two churches are in existence to-day.

Barton was School Director of the 35th section for many years and was chairman of the committee which built the Lawton School in Wissinoming. He now lives in the old homestead, where he was born, with his wife and his two unmarried sisters, Emily and Josephine. He has no issue.

58. William Castor, eldest son of John Northrop Castor, No. 31, was born in Holmesburg, December 9, 1850. He married, November 26, 1874, Annie Kreis. He has been Postmaster of Holmesburg for many years and is the present head of the Castor Family.
Issue:—

85. Ida Dorentha, b. Oct. 6, 1876, d. July 11, 1908.
86. William Mayberry b. Aug. 26, 1878. Of whom presently.
87. John Northrop b. Jan. 6, 1882. Of whom presently.
88. Louisa Kreis b. Feb. 10, 1887.

61. Charles M. Castor, second son of John Northrop Castor, No. 31, was born in Holmesburg in 1858. In 1877 he married Sophia Kline.
Issue:—

89. Charles L. b. 1879.
90. Mary A. b. 1881.
91. Emma E. b. 1885.
92. Wilmer C. b. 1888.

62. Alfred B. Castor, third son of John Northrop Castor, No. 31, was born in Holmesburg in 1860. In 1885 he married Mary J. Louden. They have no issue.

64. Frank G. Castor, fourth son of John Northrop Castor, No. 31, was born in Holmesburg in 1865. He married, January 1, 1899, Agnes F. Chambley.
Issue:—

93. Frank D. b. 1891.

94. L. Northrop b. 1895.

95. Myra b. 1899.

96. Evelyn A. b. 1903.

65. George A. Castor, eldest son of George Mathias Castor, No. 33, was born on Main Street, Holmesburg, August 6, 1856. Almost without exception success followed every undertaking of this George. When only a young man he amassed a considerable fortune and built a handsome residence for himself in Holmesburg, which is still one of the show places in that section. On February 19, 1904, he was elected to fill a death vacancy in the 58th Congress, with a plurality of 24,347 votes, and was re-elected the following election with 39,992 votes, against his opponent's 28,083. He was known as the "Leap Year Congressman," being sworn in on February 29th. He was taken sick at his Summer home, "Camp Kilkare," Lake Placid, and was removed to "Stonyhurst," his Holmesburg residence, where he died 3 P. M. February 19, 1906. His funeral was a very large one and was attended by four Senators, twelve Congressmen and hundreds of friends and relatives. His body was interred in the Episcopal Churchyard in Holmesburg. He married Katharine Duffy. Mr. Castor was a man of large heart and had a friend in every one who knew him. A good account of him and his home is to be found in a most interesting work entitled "The Bristol Pike."

Issue:—

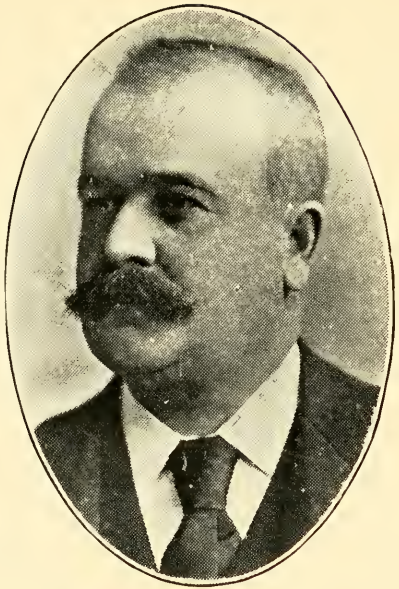
97. Morton b. April 30, 1876.

98. Katharine b. Feb. 8, 1878, m. Oct. 27, 1909, William Harry Hedges.

99. George Mathias b. 1879, d. June 9, 1894. Int. North Cedar Hill.

100. Estelle b. Nov., 1889, m. George W. Rommel, son of

Richard Allen Martin
1886-1908
Age 20 years



The Honorable George A. Castor
1856 1906
Age about 50 years.

Nellie Mills Castor
b. 1864
Age 18 years

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George Rommel, and has issue—No. 155, Natalie, b. 1909. They reside in Germantown.

66. Mary Castor, eldest daughter of George Mathias Castor, No. 33, was born in Holmesburg May 3, 1858. She married, May 3, 1878, Lemuel Ball, and died November 16, 1902. Interred in North Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Issue:—

101. Nellie Castor Ball b. May 16, 1879, in Tacony, Pa., m. Samuel Oldham, of Frankford. They now live with Lemuel Ball in his home in Wissinoming. No issue.

67. Nellie Mills Castor, second daughter of George Mathias Castor, No. 33, was born in Holmesburg April 3, 1864. She married, first, December 6, 1883, Dr. Richard Allen Martin, a descendant of the Martins of Ballynahinch, County Down, Ireland. Both Richard's grandfather and father, Samuel and Thomas Martin, came to America from Bolton-le-moors, Lancashire, England. See Martin Genealogy. Richard died March 17, 1890, and is now interred in family vault in North Cedar Hill Cemetery.

She married, second, June 23, 1894, William H. Allardyce, of Galveston, Texas, and New York City. William's ancestors came from Bernie, near Aberdeen, Scotland (see Allardyce Genealogy) and settled in Pictou, Nova Scotia.

By her first husband, Nellie had issue, two sons.

Issue:—

102. George Castor Martin b. March 30, 1885. Of whom presently.

103. Richard Allen Martin b. Oct. 14, 1886. Of whom presently.

69. George J. Castor, eldest son of Henry B. Castor, No. 38, was born at Edge Hill, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, July

14, 1859. He married June 19, 1884, Annie, daughter of Frank Kelley, of Holmesburg. Annie died February 6, 1886. He married, second, May 18, 1893, Florence C. Fife. George J. was named for his grandfather, George Johnson Castor. The early part of his life was spent on the farm at Wissinoming, which he helped his father farm. He was at one time a contractor, but now owns a farm near Prospectville, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, where he resides.

Issue, by his first wife:—

104. Mary M. b. May 6, 1885.

71. Calvin Hartley Castor, second son of Henry B. Castor, No. 38, was born August 7, 1864, in Frankford, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He married Sadie Marvine, daughter of Joseph and Mary M. Lesher, of Frankford. Calvin learned the trade of carpentry and later became connected with the Department of Public Safety. He is now a farmer and lives near Clementon, New Jersey.

Issue:—

105. Joseph Henry b. June 30, 1889.
106. Annie Bromily b. Aug. 16, 1891.
107. Linford b. Feb. 19, 1895.
108. George Johnson b. Dec. 3, 1896, d. Jan. 9, 1897.
109. Elsie May b. Sept. 9, 1901.
110. Bertha Dorothy b. June 13, 1906.
111. Calvin Hartley b. April 14, 1908.

72. Frank H. Castor, third son of Henry B. Castor, No. 38, was born July 19, 1866, in Frankford. He married Margaret T. Brandscett, of Philadelphia. Frank died September 12, 1906, and his wife June 13, 1905.

Issue:—

112. Julia E. b. March 31, 1889.
113. Louise b. Aug. 5, 1890.

"STONYHURST," Residence of the Hon. George A. Castor

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114. Nealie b. Aug. 16, 1891, d. May 1, 1902.
115. Harry b. June 3, 1893.
116. Ethel b. Feb. 3, 1895.
117. Sadie Lesher b. Oct. 8, 1898.
118. James B. b. June 13, 1901. Deceased.
119. Florence T. b. June, 1905. Died in infancy.

74. Howard Paul Castor, eldest son of Howard Castor, No. 39, and eldest grandson of George Johnson Castor, No. 20, was born on Castor Road above Oxford Pike, Philadelphia, June 2, 1859. On October 23, 1882, he married Letitia Stackhouse, daughter of William F. and Mary (nee Street) Bailey, of Bristol, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. The Baileys are of Quaker ancestry. Mary was descended from General Green, the famous Revolutionary commander, and also was niece of Colonel John Gosling, who was killed in the Civil War.

Howard Paul Castor was a builder in early life, and when Wissinoming was laid out in building lots, he and his father became the pioneer builders. Most of the houses in the town were built by them, as were many on the adjoining lands. In the early days of Wissinoming, as a town, it was much hampered by not having an outlet north of the railroad to Tacony on one side and to Bridesburg and Frankford on the other. Howard P. started a movement to have a road opened from Tacony to Frankford. There was much opposition by those interested in the way and the great cost in damages and grading made it a hard proposition. It was only after a long and tedious fight, with many reverses and many obstacles conquered, that the bill was put through. It was due largely to the efforts of Mr. Castor that this useful highway (Torresdale Avenue) is in use to-day.

After the course of the road was laid out, Howard P. Castor, in a two-wheeled gig, on Tuesday, July 3, 1894, was the first one

who ever drove over Torresdale Avenue from Wissinoming to Tacony. It was a difficult drive. Two creeks had to be forded and a deep, heavily-wooded ravine crossed.

Howard P. Castor, his father, and Barton Castor, at their own expense, had the brush and timber cleared away, the ground leveled and temporary foot bridges built over the creeks which crossed it at that time. This was the beginning of a most important thoroughfare, where to-day a double trolley track runs over a finely-paved broad avenue—"The dreams of H. P. C. realized."

Howard was the first librarian of the Tacony (Disston) Presbyterian Church, then a very young man, and was also one of the organizers of the said church in 1883. At one time he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian Church of Frankford, where five generations of his ancestors had worshiped. For a number of years he was director of the Wissinomnig Building and Loan Association and also director of the Provident. Through his efforts, Howell, Keystone and Comly Streets were graded and macadamized, as also were many other improvements brought to pass. At a leaders' meeting of the (then) Thirty-fifth Ward he was offered the nomination for Council of Philadelphia, which nomination in those days was equivalent to an election. Howard refused this offer. The first telephone in Wissinoming was introduced by him and the first election returns bulletined in the town were shown from his office. These were the returns of McKinley's first election. He laid the first water pipes in Wissinoming at his own expense and by special arrangement with the City. He served as City Real Estate Expert at various times. He built the Wissinoming Coal Yard, and with his brother-in-law, W. Frank Bailey, operated it as the Wissinoming Coal and Wood Company. Later he became a resident of Camden, New Jersey, and is now engaged in the wholesale lumber business.

Issue:—

120. William Barton b. Sept. 4, 1883, d. Apr. 2, 1887.
121. Helen P. b. Nov. 26, 1884, m. Dec. 29, 1909, George W. Long.
122. Margaret S. b. Dec. 4, 1886, m. June 1, 1909, John R. Keenan. Issue:—John Paul Keenan, b. April 11, 1910.
123. Mary Elizabeth b. Aug. 28, 1888, m. Sept. 23, 1908, Clarence J. Miller. Issue:—Harry Castor Miller b. June 21, 1909. Mary d. June 22, 1909.
124. Eliza Jane b. Dec. 20, 1890, m. June 30, 1908, William Edward Stanwood, Jr.
125. Walter Shallcross b. Jan. 15, 1892, d. Apr. 14, 1893.
126. Thomas E. Raymond b. Oct. 21, 1893.
127. Emily L. b. Sept. 7, 1895.
128. Mary T. b. Nov. 6, 1897.
129. George F. b. Nov. 13, 1899.

76. Margaret Stewart Castor, eldest daughter of Howard Castor, No. 39, was born August 28, 1862. She married John Sparks, who was born November 1, 1850, and had issue, five children.

Issue:—

130. Howard Castor Sparks b. May 24, 1889.
131. Sarah Sparks b. Aug. 29, 1891.
132. Helen Sparks b. June 12, 1894.
133. John Sparks b. Sept. 10, 1897, d. Aug. 29, 1898.
134. Hary Sparks b. Mar. 28, 1901.

79. Robert B. Keys Castor, fourth son of Howard Castor, No. 39, was born August 29, 1868, in Frankford. He married, December 9, 1888, Frances Amanda, daughter of William and granddaughter of Jacob Funk, Sr., a prominent brick manufacturer, whose brick yard lay near Bridge Street, between what is now Tor-

resdale Avenue and Ditman Street.

Robert was an active, industrious, enterprising man. When he was eighteen years of age he had established a paying express business between Philadelphia, Bridesburg and Wissinoming, which he disposed of at a profit. He then entered the plumbing and roofing business and later became connected with the Department of Public Safety. He filled his position in this department with credit to himself and only left it in order to accept a position of trust with the firm of Henry Disston and Sons, Tacony, where he is now engaged. Robert lives in Wissinoming, where he has a host of friends. He is interested in politics and has much influence in his home town, which he uses for the best interest of his community.

Issue:—

135. Norman Stephen Castor b. Oct. 15, 1889, m. Oct. 15, 1909, Martha D. Parke.
136. William Henry b. Apr. 29, 1891.
137. Robert Bertram b. Feb. 28, 1893.
138. Anna Eliza b. Oct. 31, 1894.
139. Edward Jones b. May 23, 1902. Deceased.

80. John P. Castor, fifth son of Howard Castor, No. 39, was born in Frankford, Philadelphia, February 27, 1871. He married Mary E., daughter of Timothy S. and Sarah A. Carr. Mary was born November 16, 1873.

John was a true representative of the old pioneer stock. He loved the woods and the wilds and when a boy spent much of his time wandering through the large woods which at that time extended from the Delaware River to a spot far beyond the Bristol Pike. A creek ran through these woods and John would catch a mess of fish or frogs and build a fire, on which he would cook them, and feast in true woodsman style. When he was eighteen

he longed for the West, of which he had heard much, and the free and adventurous life that was lived there. He went to Nebraska, where his cousin, Frank Heston, owned a large ranch. While on the ranch he became expert in the use of the lasso and the rifle. When he returned home he was attired in the full kit of a western cowboy; leather chaparajos, sombrero, cartridge belt, revolver, lasso and knife, and his heavy western saddle.

He also brought his horse, on which he had ridden across the State of Nebraska, and a carload of wild western bronchos. His own pony was so well trained that he could herd cattle or horses without a rider to direct him. When the horses were sold they afforded amusement for the entire neighborhood, as their owner had to lasso and break in each one as it was purchased. 1889 was the year in which he crossed the State.

John learned the carpentry trade with his brother, Howard Paul Castor. He became interested in the building of the Panama Canal by the United States Government, and on February 13, 1905, he sailed from a snow and ice covered New York to land a short time later in a land of fruits and flowers, and hotter weather than he had ever known before. His position in the Government employ was the command of over one hundred native laborers. The unsanitary conditions of the big ditch soon affected him, and, though many inducements were held out to him to have him remain, he sailed for home, taking with him a collection of natural history specimens of that country. Among those he brought to his home were a monkey and an alligator. After regaining his health he entered the coffee-roasting business in connection with his brother's extensive coffee and tea business in Philadelphia, John operating in Trenton, New Jersey, where he and his family reside. He is a very large man, standing six feet two inches and weighing 228 pounds. He has never used tobacco or liquor in any form.

He and his family are all members of the Fifth Presbyterian Church of Trenton, where his wife takes an active interest in the Home Department of the Sunday School.

Issue:—

140. John Heston b. May 1, 1892.
141. Elmer H. b. July 1, 1893, d. Oct. 18, 1895.
142. Horace b. July 2, 1894, d. June 22, 1905.
143. Ida Leona b. Jan. 19, 1901.

81. William B. Castor, sixth son of Howard Castor, No. 39, was born near Rockland, New Castle County, Delaware, February 25, 1874. He married, June 18, 1900, Emily B., daughter of Samuel M. and Alma Carrilla Broadbent, of Philadelphia, who was born September 3, 1880. When William was eighteen years of age he was elected President of the Christian Endeavor of Wissinoming and Secretary of the Northeast branch of the same Society. At the age of twenty-one he was elected Trustee of the Wissinoming Presbyterian Church, under the pastorate of the Reverend David Scott Clark, and served in that capacity for eleven years. He resigned from this position of trust when he removed to Camden, New Jersey, to take charge of that branch of Castor Brothers' rapidly-growing coffee and tea business. He learned the hot-air and steam-heating business and served as manager for a Philadelphia establishment until he was twenty-four years of age, when he became associated with his brother, Norman, in the tea and coffee business in Wissinoming, and now in Frankford, Camden, Trenton, Philadelphia and Bethlehem. Success was with him from the start in this business. From a small beginning, their business has grown with rapid strides and in its eleven years of growth it has become the largest of its kind in the State.

In the year 1906 he became a resident of Camden, New Jersey, and now has a Summer residence at Pitman, New Jersey. He and

his wife are members of the Second Presbyterian Church of Camden and take an active part in all church work. He is considered one of the representative business men of Camden.

Issue:—

144. William Stanley b. March 14, 1901.
145. Edwin Bruce b. Nov. 5, 1903, d. Jan. 25, 1904.
146. Ruth Emily b. Feb. 27, 1905, d. Mar. 20, 1905.
147. Clifford b. July 13, 1906, d. Dec. 21, 1906.
148. Margaret Buckley b. Feb. 19, 1908.

82. Norman S. Castor, seventh son of Howard Castor, No. 39, was born near Rockland, New Castle County, Delaware, October 19, 1875. On October 24, 1899, he married Jeanette, daughter of Richard and Mary Fraser, of Wissinoming, who was born February 25, 1882. Norman was a born business man and commenced his career when about nine years old. At this time he purchased candy by the pound and sold it by the stick in a play house in his father's yard. He saved the profits thus acquired and a few years later made a practice of advancing money to certain city employes stationed in the neighborhood. These loans were for short periods and were repaid on "pay day" with good interest. When he was seventeen years of age he entered the employ of his brother, Howard Paul Castor, and during the next three years remained in his brother's charge. Here, too, he saved his money, and when an exhausted and badly-run coffee and tea route was offered for sale he purchased it. In his hands the business grew rapidly and two years later his brother, William B. Castor, joined him in partnership and organized the firm of Castor Brothers, wholesale and retail coffee and tea dealers of Frankford. The firm began with a small packing house and two wagons. To-day, eleven years later, they have many branches, and over two-score wagons are required to run the business, which is the largest of its kind in Pennsylvania.

Norman is a resident of Frankford, where he and his wife are active members of the old Presbyterian Church in which six consecutive generations of his ancestors have worshiped and of which his ancestor, John George Castor, was one of the four founders, May 4, 1770.

Issue:—

149. Mary Caldwell b. July 30, 1901.
150. Bernice L. b. Aug. 28, 1902, d. Mar. 11, 1903.
151. Norman Richard b. April 9, 1905.
152. Jeanette Fraser b. June 11, 1908.

86. William Mayberry Castor, eldest son of William Castor, No. 58, was born August 26, 1878. He married, January 1, 1902, Martha J. Stackhouse, and had—

Issue:—

153. Della Louisa b. June 8, 1904.
154. William b. Mar. 11, 1909.

87. John Northrop Castor, second son of William Castor, No. 58, was born in Holmesburg, January 6, 1882. He married, September 8, 1909, Caroline Hobson.

102. George Castor Martin, eldest son of Nellie Mills Castor, No. 67, and her first husband, Richard Allen Martin, was born in New York City, March 30, 1885. On September 22, 1906, in Asbury Park, New Jersey, he married Mildred, daughter of Henry W. Comegys, of the Kent County, Maryland, family of that name. Both George and his wife are members of the Sons and Daughters of the Revolution, respectively. George holds the rank of Vice-Commodore in the U. S. V. L. S. C.

Issue:—

156. Richard Allen Allardyce Martin b. July 15, 1907, in Asbury Park, N. J.

103. Richard Allen Martin, second son of Nellie Mills Castor, No. 67, and her first husband, Richard Allen Martin, was born in New York City, October 14, 1886. He died in Jacksonville, Florida, December 20, 1908, and was interred in the family vault in North Cedar Hill Cemetery. Richard did not marry. Among the many Societies and Clubs of which he was a member were the Sons of the Revolution, Monmouth County Historical Society, Ex Libris Society of London, Belmar Yacht Club, Frankford Historical Society, and the American Philatelic Society. It is due to the extensive research made by him in the genealogical field that the compilation of this work was possible.

FREDERICK CASTOR

SECOND SON OF JOHN GEORGE CASTOR, NO. 2

AND HIS DESCENDANTS

4. Frederick Castor, second son of John George Castor, No. 2, was born in Philadelphia April 27, 1739, as is shown by the records of the German Reformed Church in that city. He moved to Germantown and later to Frankford with his father and was a prominent member of the Presbyterian Church of that town. He was commissioned Lieutenant of the First Company, Second Battalion of Pennsylvania Militia, and was wounded at the Battle of the Brandywine. He was taken from the field to the "Washington House" at Chester, then a hospital. He was with his Company at the Battle of Germantown and a few days later rode over to Frankford to visit his wife. On his arrival home he found that his wife had gone to the mill at Byberry (built by Benjamin Gilbert in 1759) a few days earlier and had not returned. Frederick followed her to Byberry, to find that on the day of the Battle of Germantown, about the time of her arrival at the mill, she had been taken sick and on being carried to the miller's home, had given birth to twins. Frederick had entered the house and was standing by his wife's bedside when the nurse observed two British soldiers approaching. Without turning she gave timely warning and Frederick was able to slip down the stairs, out of the back door and into a heap of brush which was lying where some trees had been felled. The British soldiers searched the house thoroughly and even went so far as to feel the bed on which Frederick's wife and the twins were lying. On seeing the twins, it is said, they cried, "God bless their souls." After dark the soldiers, giving up hope of Frederick returning, took his horse and went on their way, leaving Frederick to walk back to the army on the same night. One of the twins, Samuel, grew up to become commander of the Pennsylvania Militia. This story was

imparted by Ellen Castor Garsed, daughter of Colonel Hiram Castor, son of General Samuel Castor, to whom it was related by Margaret Myers Castor, daughter of General Samuel. A slightly varied version of this story is told by George L. Myers. He claims that Frederick hid in a tree and that his mother, Hannah Myers, had the tree cut up and made into a "grandfather's clock," which is now in his possession.

Frederick married, April 10, 1764, Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Rorer. He died in Oxford Township, August 27, 1800. The bulk of his father's estate was left to Frederick, although he was the second son. The old homestead on Castor Road was part of his share. Frederick's Revolutionary record is to be found in the Pennsylvania Archives. In 1769 Frederick was taxed on 2 horses and 2 cattle and he paid 2 pounds 5 shillings. In 1779 he paid a State tax of 15 shillings. In 1781 he paid tax on a valuation of 60 pounds, the sum of 17 shillings, and in 1782, on a valuation of 34 pounds, he paid an effective supply tax of 4 shillings 8 pence. The dates of his children are supplied by the Reverend William R. Scott, whose grandmother was Margaret Elizabeth Yost, daughter of Mary Castor Yost, daughter of Frederick. Margaret Elizabeth Yost married William R. Scott, grandfather of the present Reverend William R. Scott. Mr. Scott has no record of Daniel nor has he ever heard of him. His record of the birth of Samuel and David do not agree with that in the Dyre Bible nor with the tradition previously printed. The date in the Bible and the date supplied by Samuel's grandson, Charles Wilkinson Castor, both bear out the truth of the story. Issue:—

157. George b. Feb. 25, 1765. Of whom presently.
158. Margaret b. Feb. 24, 1767, m. in German Reformed Church, Mar. 27, 1787, Jacob Myers, d. Feb. 7, 1840.
159. Elizabeth b. Feb. 1, 1769, m. Caleb Erle (Mr. Scott says Abraham Erle), d. July 9, 1841.

THE OLD CASTOR HOMESTEAD, on the Delaware, near Wissinoming.
Home of George Castor, eldest son of Lieutenant Frederick Castor, and his descendants.

160. Hannah b. Feb. 4, 1771, m. John Myers, d. August, 1846.

161. Mary b. June 4, 1773, m. John Yopst or Yost, d. May 23, 1817.

162. Frederick b. Sept. 20, 1775, d. Jan. 19, 1792.

163. Daniel b. 1776. Date supplied by Charles W. Castor from the Dyre Bible. Of whom presently.

164-165. David and Samuel, twins, b. Oct. 4, 1777. Mr. Scott says Apr. 22, 1778. David d. June 29, 1882; Samuel d. June 14, 1855.

166. Benjamin b. Jan. 29, 1782, d. Apr. 10, 1814.

157. George Castor, eldest son of Frederick Castor, No. 4, was born in Oxford Township, February 25, 1765. He married, March 22, 1787, in the German Reformed Church, Margaret Jung, who was born May 8, 1765, and died January 19, 1855. This George was known as "Cork-Leg George." He owned the old house on the Delaware near Wissinoming, known as the Castor Mansion, about which an article, from which the following has been selected, appeared in The Frankford Dispatch:—

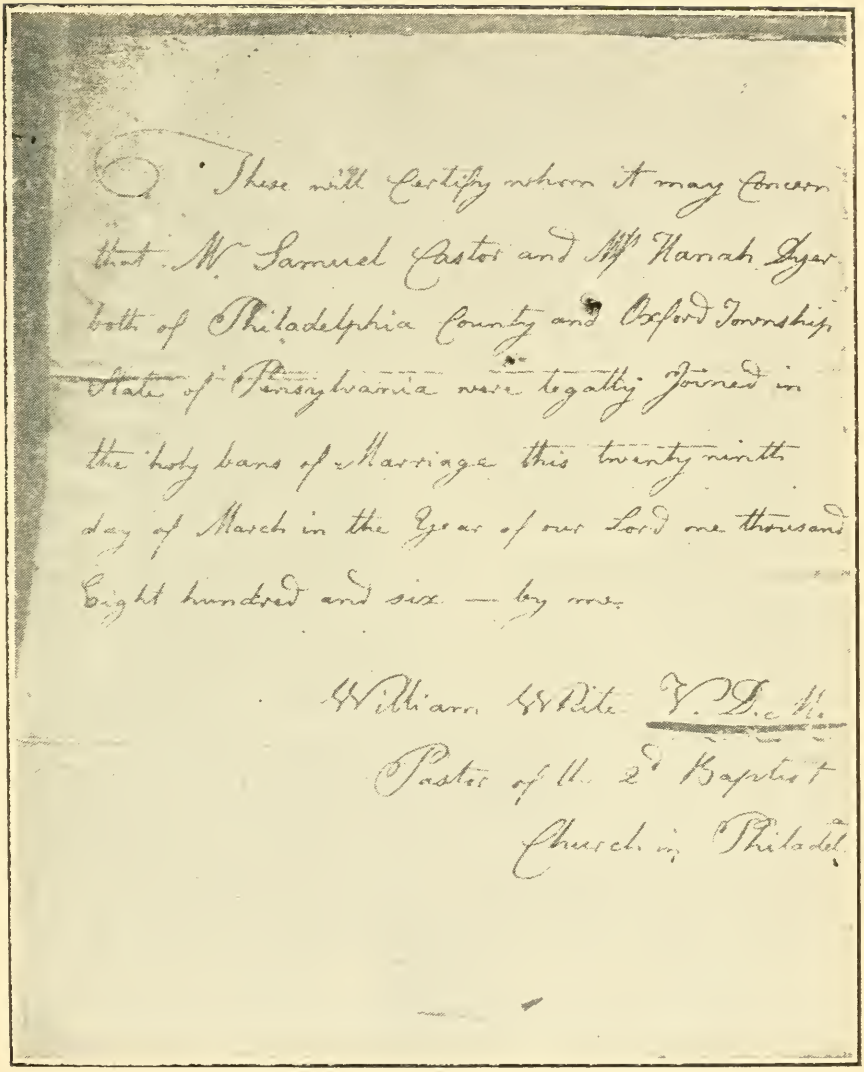
"For nearly two centuries this has been one of the show places among the numerous beautiful river mansions overlooking the Delaware in this section. Not only for the quaint architecture of the fine old homestead, but for the beauty of its approach, both by land and water, has the historic Castor Mansion been famous for many generations. It stands closer to the river than the majority of the famous old mansions that once lined the water-front, avenue, with clumps of hardy shrubbery and broad sweeps of veltions of the estate, as it leads through a long, shady, tree-bordered with a velvety lawn and beautiful old trees reaching down to the water. But the entrance from the land is one of the special attracvety lawns reaching far away on either side of the driveway."

"The early Swedes were the first to own this property, and it

was a famous gathering place for the Swedish settlers who had crossed the river to make their settlement on the wide-reaching Pennsylvania farm lands, extending in splendid fertility down to the water-front without the usual intervening marsh lands. Here on the slope of Tacony Farm, the Swedes built the little low part of the present mansion. Built it for special safety, after the quaint architecture of the day, with the first floor largely underground, and the windows level with the soil. This rambling two-story structure, substantially built of stone and plaster, was considered a very pretentious dwelling when erected, over two centuries ago, and it was the special pride of the early Swedish settlers."

"But even previous to the two centuries or more that the property has been a famous homestead, history was being made for the ancient farm near Wissinoming Creek, with its Indian name, for, judging from the indications of more recent years, this farm doubtless contained the home of an Indian chieftain and his tribe, or at least it must have been an Indian camping ground or village, for Indian relics have been unearthed in every portion of the farm. For more than a century and a quarter the Castor family have owned the estate, and through five generations of the Castors the place has been socially prominent."

"As it stands to-day the house is interesting, not only on account of its age and historic traditions, but also as a striking specimen of the old French architecture. When the house was purchased by the original George Castor (not the original George, but his grandson, son of Frederick) the additions he made were modeled after the French country houses of the Eighteenth Century. The ceilings were high and the rooms spacious and imposing, while a veranda overlooked the river. It is also recorded that he laid out a handsome garden, which for its day was considered one of the most beautiful specimens of landscape gardening in all this section



These will Certify whom it may Concern that Mr. Samuel Castor and Miss Hannah Dyer both of Philadelphia County and Oxford Township, State of Pensylvania were legally Joined in the holy bans of Marriage this twenty ninth day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and six — by me.

William White V. D. M.
Pastor of the 2d Baptist
Church in Philadel.

Marriage Certificate of Hannah Dyer and General Samuel Castor, Mar. 29, 1806.

or within the suburbs of the Quaker City."

The Philadelphia Leather Company, whose vice-president and manager is Nial C. Brodhead, a descendant of the famous old Dutch family of that name and a descendant of Charles, brother of General Daniel Brodhead, of the Revolutionary Army, purchased the property with the intention of razing it and erecting a factory on its site. Mrs. Brodhead's love for the beauty and antiquity of the place saved it from this fate, and it has been restored by her to its former grandeur and beauty. Mr. Brodhead and his family now reside in the old home.

Dr. William B. Dixon, in his "Frankford and the Main Street Sixty-five Years Ago," printed in the report of the Frankford Historical Society, 1907, says:—"In September, 1844, the largest funeral that was ever seen in Frankford took place when the remains of George Castor, long a member and trustee of the Presbyterian Church, were buried. There were 104 Castors present and it was a notable event. George Castor was the son of Frederick Castor, son of George Castor, Sr. George, Sr., and Frederick were among the founders of the Presbyterian Church. George, Jr. (Mistake. George, Jr., was of Holmesburg.) and his son, Jesse Y., lived on Tacony Road above the arsenal, on the bank of the Delaware."

The above, although in quotation marks, is not exactly as Dr. Dixon wrote it, as there was a slight mistake in the relationships. The following is copied verbatim:—

"The Castor graves in the old burying ground prove the family to have been a large one and their lives showed them to have been an influential family, and no higher encomium could be paid them than the unusually large attendance at the funeral of George Castor."

On January 15, 1807, George Castor presented a petition to the Orphans' Court of Philadelphia setting forth that his father died

intestate, leaving a widow and nine children. The paper gives the names of Frederick's children, but does not mention Daniel, of whom presently. See docket 22, page 160, Orphans' Court of Philadelphia. No. 304, January 16, 1907, City Hall.

George died September 3, 1844. He left issue, one son and two daughters.

Issue:—

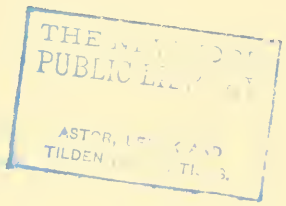
167. Jesse Yonker b. Oct. 14, 1794. Of whom presently.
168. Sarah b. 1796, d. 1861.
169. Eliza b. 1798, d. 1869.

163. Daniel Castor, third son of Frederick Castor, No. 4, moved to New Orleans, Louisiana, where he accumulated a large fortune. He died of yellow fever in that city, and his wife dying at the same time, his two daughters, Elizabeth and Maria, were left without protection. Their relatives were unable to enter the city for some time, owing to the epidemic, and their slaves,being without a master, took the opportunity to run away, taking every movable article of value with them. One of the Castor family succeeded in reaching the two girls, and, saving enough out of the estate for them to live on in comfort, he brought them north, where they were raised by their mother's mother, who was a resident of Germantown. They both remained single, and when they died were buried in the same grave in the Lutheran Churchyard in Germantown. The grave is marked with one name only. Daniel witnessed a will, signed in Germantown, February 7, 1816. He left no male issue.

Issue:—

170. Elizabeth.
171. Maria.

164. David Castor, fourth son of Frederick Castor, No. 4, was born, as has already been stated, on the day of the Battle of Ger-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The upper silhouettes are of General Samuel Castor (1777-1855) and his wife Hannah Dyer Castor (1787-1842). The lower two are Margaret Meyers Castor (1815-1888), daughter of Samuel Castor, and Ellen Castor Garsed, daughter of Hiram Castor and grandaughter of Samuel.

mantown. He died unmarried, June 29, 1822. His brother and twin—

165. General Samuel Castor purchased his brothers' shares in the old homestead on Castor Road and lived there the greater part of his life. He rose to the rank of General of the Pennsylvania Militia, and on the occasion of Lafayette's visit to America he met that General at Trenton on July 29, 1825, and escorted him, by way of Bristol Pike, through Frankford to Philadelphia. Samuel's name is on the list of those invited to attend the reception tendered Lafayette and his name is recorded as being present. On page 608, vol. 1 of Scharff and Westcott's "History of Philadelphia" it is stated that a General Thomas Castor attended the reception. This is doubtless an error, as in no other work is there a record which substantiates this statement; and to the present time the compiler has found no record of another General of the name of Castor.

An item of interest which deserves mention here has been communicated by Mrs. Nellie Garsed Neukom. It is given here just as she wrote it:—

"My grandmother, Eveline Wilkinson Castor, once told me the story of how she saw Lafayette. Her father took the family to town in the market wagon and they stood in the wagon to see the parade pass. Eveline was then about fifteen."

"Have you ever heard cream-colored horses called Lafayette horses? There were eight cream-colored horses harnessed to the carriage in which Lafayette rode in the parade. The committee hunted the countryside to obtain horses of that color to make up the last pair, and finally located what they wanted in the possession of an old Quaker gentleman. When asked for the privilege of using them he replied, 'Thee knows I do not believe in parades, but if thee goes to my barn to-night thee will find the door unlocked.' In this manner they obtained the last pair."

Samuel died June 11, 1855. He married, first, Hannah, daughter of Joseph Dyre, on March 29, 1806. Hannah was born May 24, 1785, and died August 27, 1842. He married, secondly, ——— Cook, by whom he had no issue. His second wife survived him and secured the entire estate, which was a very large one, with the exception of his desk, which was left to his son, Hiram, and a box of books, which went to his daughter, Margaret. It is believed that the brother of his second wife, who was a lawyer, drew up the will while Samuel was sick and helpless. While he was sick his daughter, Margaret, was in his room when he raised himself and pointed to the desk, saying, "Margaret, papers, desk." He did this several times, and his wife gave him the newspaper, saying, "He wants the newspaper." Considering this, it appears that his wishes were not those stated in his will.

The desk, which became the property of his son, Hiram, is now in the possession of Mrs. Neukom, his direct descendant. This desk was the property of John George Castor, the emigrant, and came to America with him in 1736. Mrs. Neukom also owns the silhouettes of Samuel, his wife, daughter and granddaughter, which she has kindly loaned to illustrate this work.

In a will dated July 31, 1818, Joseph Browne, of Frankford, left all of his property, with the exception of a small legacy, to "Colonel Samuel Castor."

Issue:—

172. Eliza b. Dec. 1, 1806, d. Aug. 11, 1807.
173. Hiram b. Nov. 12, 1809. Of whom presently.
174. Dyre b. May 28, 1813. Of whom presently.
175. Margaret Myers b. 1815, d. unmarried, Mar. 11, 1883.

167. Jesse Yonker Castor, only son of George Castor, No. 157, was born October 4, 1794. He married Harriett ———, who was born May 14, 1795, and died August 21, 1835. Jesse lived in the

The old inlaid desk which was brought to America by George Castor and descended through Frederick, his son, to General Samuel Castor. It is now the property of Mrs. Nellie G. Neukom, of Dayton, Ohio. The drawer pull in the upper illustration is one of the set used on it while it was the property of General Samuel Castor.

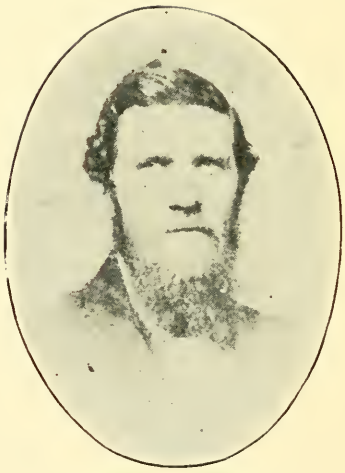
October 24, 1833, Eveline Wilkinson, who was born May 2, 1810, and died March 10, 1885. Hiram was commissioned by Governor George Wolf, of Pennsylvania, Lieutenant Colonel of the Third Regiment of Militia of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Second Brigade, First Division, August 3, 1835. He died February 9, 1886. Issue:—

183. Charles b. Nov. 25, 1834, d. June 22, 1835.
184. Edwin A. b. May 22, 1836. Of whom presently.
185. Ellen b. July 14, 1838. Of whom presently.
186. Charles Wilkinson b. Sept. 8, 1840. Of whom presently.
187-188. Hiram and Eveline, twins, b. July 30, 1846. Hiram d. Aug. 6, 1846, Eveline d. Aug. 8, 1846.
189. Lewis D. b. Oct. 24, 1849, d. January 31, 1854.

174. Dyre Castor, second son of General Samuel Castor, No. 165, was born May 28, 1813. He was an exceptionally brilliant and able man, a graduate of both Yale and Pennsylvania Universities. About the year 1840 he practiced law in Washington, D. C., and shortly after became private secretary of Henry Clay. He was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Washington Monument Committee and Henry Clay and he canvased the States of Kentucky and Tennessee, Clay speaking and Dyre Castor attending to the collection of the money. In this manner was the erection of the Washington Monument made possible when it otherwise would have been a failure. Later, Henry Clay presented Dyre with a handsome watch in memory of the trip. This memento is now the cherished possession of Mary Coats Castor Albertson, the daughter of his nephew, Charles Wilkinson Castor. Dyre died November 6, 1845. He never married. In the appendix will be found copies of several of the letters carried by Dyre on his trip through Kentucky and Tennessee and a letter from General Samuel Castor to him.

177. Lieutenant Thomas Castor, eldest son of Jesse Y. Castor,

Lieut. Thomas F. Castor
of Wissinoming
1822-1855



Joel Poinsett Castor
of Wissinoming

No. 167, was born May 14, 1822. He was a graduate of West Point, having received his appointment to that academy through Joel Poinsett, a friend of his father, for whom Thomas' brother was named, and was commissioned Lieutenant in the First Regiment, United States Dragoons, in which organization he served throughout the Mexican War. He died in the service at Fort Tejon, California, September 8, 1855. His body was brought to Frankford and placed in the yard of the Old Presbyterian Church. A pillar marks his grave and his service in the Army is set forth on it. He married twice, but left no issue.

181. Joel Poinsett Castor, second son of Jesse Y. Castor, No. 167, was born in 1831 and died Aug. 18, 1899. He married ——— Webster, and had seven sons and three daughters.

Issue:—

190. Jesse Y.
191. Frank Green.
192. Gertrude.
193. Thomas F.
194. Charles Webster.
195. Lucy May.
196. Alfred F.
197. Vincent Pratt.
198. Josephine F.
199. Joel Poinsett, Jr.

184. Edwin Augustus Castor, second son of Colonel Hiram Castor, No. 173, was born May 22, 1836, and died November 18, 1894. He married, first, October 14, 1858, Augusta Buckius, who was born June 11, 1837, and died December 15, 1900.

Issue:—

200. William Wadsworth b. Aug. 14, 1859. Of whom presently.

201. Eveline Wilkinson b. Jan. 15, 1862, d. June 25, 1863.

He married, second, April 24, 1865, Samantha W. Graham, who was born October 24, 1843, and died November 18, 1894.

Issue:—

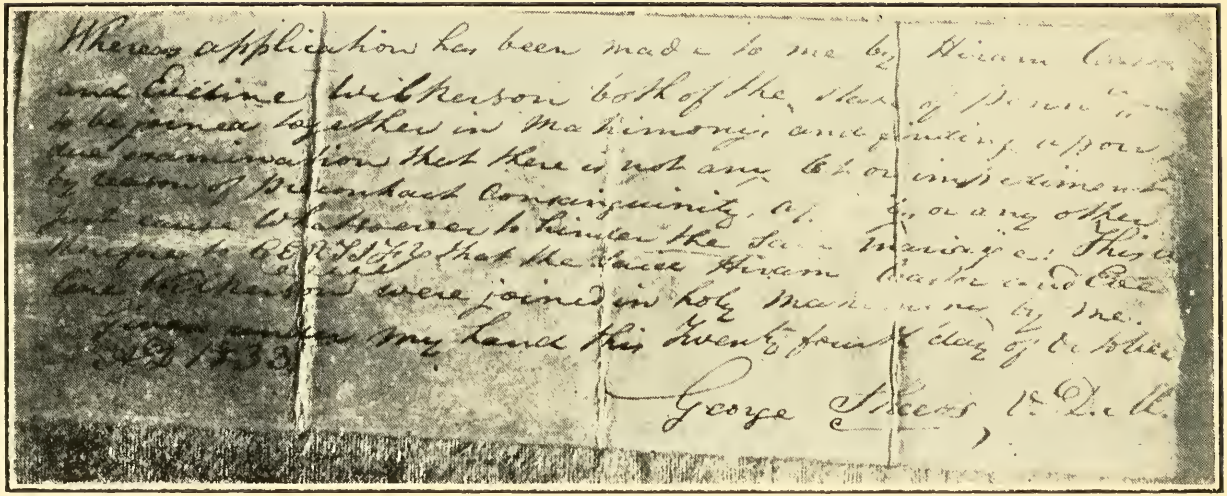
202. Hiram Charles b. April 11, 1866. Of whom presently.
203. Harry Garsed b. Mar. 5, 1868. Of whom presently.
204. Frank Graham b. Jan. 17, 1870. Of who mpresently.
205. Edna b. Dec. 13, 1871, m. Dr. Paul Robinson. Now living in Indianapolis, Indiana.
206. John Wilkinson b. Jan. 22, 1874. Of whom presently.
207. Jesse Webster b. Sept. 20, 1876. Single.
208. Walter Dyre b. Oct. 3, 1883. Of whom presently.

185. Ellen Castor, elder daughter of Colonel Hiram Castor, No. 173, was born in Frankford, July 14, 1838. She married, December 10, 1863, Harry Turner Garsed, who was born July 7, 1839, and died April 22, 1888.

Issue:—

209. Nellie Garsed b. April 16, 1866. Of whom presently.
210. Eveline Garsed b. Nov. 25, 1868. Of whom presently.
211. Tacy Bertha Garsed m. Aug. 28, 1901, Philip D. Parsons.
212. Mabel Garsed b. Mar. 20, 1874, d. 1875.

186. Charles Wilkinson Castor, third son of Colonel Hiram Castor, No. 173, was born September 8, 1840. He married, September 21, 1865, Susan Yerkes Coats, who was born June 4, 1844. Both are now living in Frankford and are about as fine an old couple as is to be found anywhere. Mr. Castor is an ardent collector of postage stamps and has a really fine collection. He is also historian of his line and has the records of many of his ancestors on the "distaff side." He served in the Fortieth Pennsylvania Regiment in the Civil War. His name is to be found on the list



Marriage Certificate of Eveline Wilkinson and Hiram Castor, October 24, 1833.

of managers of the ball given by the Union League Campaign Club in honor of the re-election of Abraham Lincoln, January 9, 1865.

Issue:—

213. Levi Coats b. July 5, 1866, d. Jan. 2, 1879.
214. Lewis David b. June 19, 1868. Of whom presently.
215. Mary Coats b. Mar. 6, 1870. Of whom presently.

200. William Wadsworth Castor, eldest son of Edwin Augustus Castor, No. 184, by his first wife, was born August 14, 1859. He married, March 26, 1887, Anna McCormick, who was born September 23, 1866, and died November 23, 1903.

Issue:—

216. Eveline Wilkinson b. June 16, 1888, d. July 16, 1888.
217. Augusta Jeannette b. May 25, 1889.
218. Maria Margaret b. May 26, 1890.
219. William Wilkinson b. Nov. 7, 1891.
220. Lulu Anna b. Nov. 3, 1894.
221. Charles Fitzgerald b. June 11, 1897.

202. Hiram Charles Castor, second son of Edwin A. Castor, No. 184, the first child of his second wife, was born April 11, 1866. He married, first, November 25, 1888, Gertrude L. Isaacs, who was born in 1868 and died in 1902, from whom he was divorced.

Issue:—

222. Byron Elder b. Octo. 20, 1889.

He married, second, Daisy Frances Hole, who was born March 5, 1876.

Issue:—

223. Mildred Matilda b. Sept. 20, 1909.

203. Harry Garsed Castor, third son of Edwin A. Castor, No. 184, and second son by his second wife, was born March 5, 1868.

He married, August 6, 1896, Savannah Lukin, by whom he had one daughter.

Issue:—

224. Helen Elizabeth b. May 25, 1902.

204. Frank Graham Castor, fourth son of Edwin A. Castor, No. 184, and third son by his second wife, was born June 17, 1870. He married, July 3, 1898, Mayme Arnold.

206. John Wilkinson Castor, fifth son of Edwin A. Castor, No. 184, and fourth son by his second wife, was born January 22, 1874. He married, June 20, 1900, Louise Pauline Bonzheim.

Issue:—

225. Elba Vincent b. May 3, 1901.

208. Walter Dyre Castor, seventh son of Edwin A. Castor, No. 184, and sixth son by his second wife, was born October 3, 1833. He married, November 17, 1903, Edna Redenbough.

209. Nellie Garsed, eldest daughter of Ellen Castor, No. 185, and Harry Turner Garsed, her husband, was born April 16, 1866. She married, November 24, 1887, Edward Neukom, who was born December 24, 1858.

Issue:—

226. Lisetta Neukom b. Aug. 25, 1888.

227. Everett Edward Neukom b. Aug. 14, 1892.

210. Eveline Garsed, second daughter of Ellen Castor, No. 185, and her husband, Harry Turner Garsed, was born November 25, 1868. She married, February 25, 1892, Thomas Franklin Miller, who was born July 20, 1863.

Issue:—

228. Ellen Julia Miller b. Jan. 4, 1893.

229. Evelyn Lewis Miller b. Dec. 3, 1894.

214. Lewis David Castor, only son of Charles Wilkinson Castor, No. 186, who left issue, was born June 19, 1868. He married, May 6, 1896, Rebecca Yerkes Kenderdine, who was born October 28, 1875. They now reside in Rochester, New York.
Issue:—

230. William Kenderdine b. May 7, 1897.
231. Lewis David b. June 30, 1899.
232. Edward Yerkes b. Dec. 11, 1909.

215. Mary Coats Castor, only daughter of Charles Wilkinson Castor, No. 186, was born March 6, 1870. On August 16, 1893, she married William Y. Albertson, who was born October 16, 1869.
Issue:—

233. Charles Castor Albertson b. July 5, 1894.
234. Edith Marion Albertson b. July 23, 1896.
235. Mary Coats Albertson b. June 18, 1898.
236. Fred Yerkes Albertson b. Nov. 3, 1900.
237. Margaret Deacon Albertson b. July 1, 1902.

JACOB CASTOR, No. 6

THIRD SON OF JOHN GEORGE CASTOR, NO. 2, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

6. Jacob Castor, third son of John George Castor, No. 2, was born in the year 1742 in Germantown. He married, first, in the "Old Swedes' Church," January 10, 1760, Sophia Rorer (recorded in the church registry as "Sophy Bore"), of Milestown, Bristol Township, Philadelphia County, and second, Catharine Fox, of Holmesburg, Lower Dublin Township, Philadelphia County. He purchased a farm on Oxford Road near Second Street Turnpike, extending from the Buzby tract on the South to the Holt tract on the North. On May 6, 1777, he was commissioned Second Lieutenant of the Seventh Company, Second Battalion of Bucks County Militia, in which Company he served throughout the Revolution. The name is spelled Caster on the roll of the Company. See Pennsylvania Archives. In 1774 he was taxed on two horses and two cattle and paid on this the sum of two pounds, five shillings. In 1781, on an assessment of eighty-five pounds he paid a tax of one pound, four shillings and one penny.

Issue (by this first wife):—

238. Jacob. Of whom presently.
239. Henry. Of whom presently.
240. John. Of whom presently.
241. Christina, called Teany. Of whom presently.
242. Sarah. Of whom presently.
243. Hannah. Of whom presently.
244. Elizabeth, twin of Hannah, b. 1790. Of whom presently.
245. Mary, m. Jacob Lutze.

Issue (by second wife):—

246. Isaac*. Did not marry.

* Isaac Castor, in the late thirties, was proprietor of the historic "Jolly

247. George Fox. Of whom presently.
248. Catharine**. Of whom presently.

238. Jacob Castor, eldest son of Jacob Castor, No. 6, married, December 23, 1790, in the Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Hannah Mowers (recorded as Mowry). Jacob was one of the co-executors under his father's will.

Issue*:—

249. Jacob.
250. Rudolph.
251. John.
252. Henry.
253. Ann, b. 1805, m. David Allen, d. Aug. 21, 1869.

*Information concerning these children was kindly furnished by Mr. Charles E. Deal.

239. Henry Castor, second son of Jacob Castor, No. 6, married, first, November 27, 1792, in the "Old Swedes' Church," Anna Godschall. He married, second, Sarah Magargal, widow, and third, Mary Knorr, elder sister of his brother, John Castor's wife. Mary left no issue and survived Henry.

Henry was owner of several parcels of real estate in Frankford, one of them being a stone dwelling and large lot of ground having a frontage of thirty-three feet on the main street, now Nos.

Post" Hotel, in Frankford, located on Frankford avenue near Orthodox street, Being a single man, his sister Catharine (Mrs. Joshua Marple) made her home with him and presided over and conducted the household affairs of the hotel for him. Note by William Hall Waxler.

** In the will of Jacob Castor the tender love and affection for his youngest daughter, Catharine, named for her mother, is pathetically mentioned by her aged father, and a special bequest given to her.

(Note from will of Jacob Castor.)

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THE JACOB CASTOR HOMESTEAD, Near Frankford.

4619 and 4621 Frankford Avenue, and extending through to and fronting on Paul Street. This property, which he disposed of before his decease, was subsequently owned and occupied by William W. Axe as his home and printing office, and on this property the Frankford Herald was published for many years. Henry was a successful farmer and at the time of his death was lessee of the famous Waln farm on the southeast side of Tacony Street below Church Street, Frankford. He died in October, 1814.

Issue (by second wife):—

254. Elizabeth, known as Betsy. Of whom presently.
255. Catharine. Of whom presently.
256. Anna, m. Peter Boyer.
257. Sarah. Of whom presently.

240. John Castor, third son of Jacob Castor, No. 6, was born December 28, 1773. He married Catharine, youngest daughter of Bernard and Hannah Knorr, old residents of Oxford Township, Philadelphia Co., Pa. Catharine was born April 14, 1779, and died in September, 1824, aged 40 years and 5 months. John purchased the old homestead and a small tract of land in the year 1803. The homestead was situated at the southeasterly corner of Middle or Oxford Road and Dark Run Lane or River Road. This purchase was made one hundred and seven years ago and the property has remained in the tenure of some member of the Castor family continuously since its purchase.

Issue:—

258. Maria, b. Oct. 1, 1799. Of whom presently.
259. Hannah D., b. June 18, 1801. Of whom presently.
260. Sophia, b. Aug. 17, 1803. Of whom presently.
261. Peter, b. Apr. 23, 1805. Of whom presently.
262. Michael, b. Aug. 2, 1808, d. 1823, in his 15th year.
263. Thomas, b. Oct. 14, 1810. Of whom presently.

264. Catharine, b. Oct. 5, 1813, d. Dec., 1824, age 11 years.

241. Christina Castor, called Teany, eldest daughter of Jacob Castor, No. 6, married William Gray, a member of an influential and distinguished family of Delaware County.

Issue:—

265. John Jacob Gray. Of whom presently.
266. Susan Gray. Of whom presently.
267. Sarah Gray. Of whom presently.
268. Castor W. Gray. Of whom presently.
269. Samuel C. Gray. Of whom presently.
270. Elizabeth Gray. Of whom presently.
271. Maria Gray, twin of Elizabeth. Of whom presently.
272. George Gray, d. in youth.
273. Benjamin Gray, d. in youth.
274. Elmira Gray. Of whom presently.
275. Rebecca Gray. Of whom presently.

Information concerning Christina Castor and her husband William Gray, and their descendants largely from records kindly furnished by Mrs. Christina Young.

242. Sarah Castor, second daughter of Jacob Castor, No. 6, married Henry Shoch.

Issue:—

276. Rebecca Shoch, b. Dec. 31, 1789, d. age 78.
277. Jacob Shoch, b. Apr. 14, 1791, d. age 76.
278. Henry Shoch, b. Oct. 20, 1792, d. age 75.
279. Hannah Shoch, b. Nov. 20, 1794, d. age 73.
280. Elizabeth Shoch, b. Dec. 24, 1795, d. age 72.
281. Isaac Shoch, b. Dec. 25, 1797, d. age 70.
282. Maria Shoch, b. Oct. 8, 1800, d. age 67.
283. Jonathan Shoch, b. Dec. 17, 1802, d. age 65.

284. William G. Shoch, b. Nov. 11, 1804, d. age 63.
285. Nicholas Shoch, b. Feb. 23, 1807, d. age 61.
286. David Shoch, b. Oct. 24, 1808, d. age 59.
287. Edward Shoch, b. June 1, 1811, d. age 56.
288. Sarah Shoch, twin of Edward.

Transcript from Bible records furnished by Louisa Sayre (Mrs. Thomas) and Mrs. Annie Dempsey.

243. Hannah Castor, third daughter of Jacob Castor, No. 6, married John Deckard, of Cheltenham, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Issue:—

289. Eliza Deckard, b. Feb. 4, 1807, m. Andrew Trexler.
290. Sarah Deckard, b. Oct. 9, 1808, m. Amasa Hellerman.
291. Jonathan Deckard, b. Nov. 24, 1810, m. Caroline Dobell.
292. Susanna Deckard, b. Nov. 10, 1812, d. unmarried.
293. Michael Deckard, b. May 13, 1814, d. unmarried.
294. John Deckard, b. Sept. 15, 1816, d. unmarried.

From transcript of family record kindly furnished by Mr. Josiah Hellerman, a great-grandson of Jacob Castor, No. 6.

244. Elizabeth Castor, twin of Hannah and daughter of Jacob Castor, No. 6, married Jonathan Magargal. "It was related of Mr. Jonathan Magargal that he was a very superior horseman and owned a fine stock of horses. When out on horseback it was his custom on returning home not to stop and open the gate, but to put spurs to his horse and jump over it." From Hannah Waxler's recollections of her uncle, Jonathan Magargal.

Issue:—

295. Jacob Magargal, father of Mrs. David Williams, who gave the information concerning the Magargal family.
296. Samuel Magargal.

297. David Magargal.
298. Sarah Magargal, m. ——— McVaugh.
299. Hannah Magargal, m. ——— Thomas.

From written information kindly sent by Mrs. David Williams, great-granddaughter of Jacob Castor, No. 6.

247. George Fox Castor, fifth son of Jacob Castor, No. 6, and second son by his second wife, Catharine Fox, married Eliza Young.

Issue:—

300. Isaac.
301. John Young.

248. Catharine Castor, sixth daughter of Jacob Castor, No. 6, and only daughter by his second wife, married Joshua Marple.

Issue:—

302. ——— Marple, who married George M. Hoffman.

From information kindly furnished by Charles E. Deal.

254. Elizabeth Castor, known as Betsy, eldest daughter of Henry Castor, No. 239, married Thomas Rorer.

Issue:—

303. Hiram Rorer. Killed in the Rebellion.
304. Edmund W. Rorer, m. Emily Goodwin.
305. Lewis W., m. Mary Ann Struble.
306. Charles L. Rorer.
307. Thomas R. Rorer, m. Miss McClain, a lineal descendant of the same family of Washington the first President descended from.
308. David Simmons Rorer*, m. Mary Ann Woodington.

*Mr. David Simmons Rorer is now in his 87th year and resides at 4410 Paul Street, Frankford. The information here given is recorded through his kindness.

THE WAXLER HOMESTEAD,

Dark Run Lane and Oxford Pike. Home of John Castor.

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309. Eliza Rorer, d. in youth.
310. Louisa Rorer, d. in youth.

255. Catharine Castor, second daughter of Henry Castor, No. 239, married Peter Fesmire.

Issue:—

311. Jane Fesmire, m. Jeremiah Thatcher.
312. Henry Fesmire.
313. Peter Fesmire, m. Martha Louisa Sprowles.
314. Ann, m. ——— Magargal.
315. Joseph Fesmire.
316. John Fesmire.
317. Ellen Fesmire, d. in youth.

257. Sarah Castor, fourth daughter of Henry Castor, No. 239, married Thomas Rowland and died shortly after the birth of her son.

Issue:—

318. Albert G. Rowland, who formed a partnership with Thomas F. Overington, only son of the late William Overington, under the firm name of A. G. Rowland and Co., and carried on an extensive coal business at the southern end of Frankford. Later, the same firm changed the business, building a very large flour mill in the locality of the former coal wharf, and carried on that business for several years. Mr. Rowland died in middle life.

258. Maria Castor, eldest daughter of John Castor, No. 240, was born October 1, 1799, and died July 16, 1878. She married, first, George Unruh, and on his decease, Richard Williams.

Issue (by first husband):—

319. Hannah C. Unruh, m. Harvey Hellerman.
320. Lewis Unruh, m. Jane, daughter of John Foulkrod, Esq.,

County Surveyor for Philadelphia County and representative at different times in both branches of the State Legislature.

321. Eli Unruh, m. Sarah Stewart.

322. John Unruh, d. in youth.*

Issue (by second husband):—

323. Mary Jane Williams, m. Christian B. Duffield.

324. Sarah Catherine Williams, deceased.

325. Martha Williams, m. Edwin M. Duffield.

326. John G. Williams, m. Mary, eldest daughter of Benjamin Smith.

326a. Annie M. Williams.

259. Hannah D. Castor, second daughter of John Castor, No. 240, was born June 18, 1801, and died April 3, 1889. She married John Waxler.

Obituary in Public Ledger, Saturday, April 6, 1889.
"Mrs. Hannah D. Waxler."

"Mrs. Hannah D. Waxler, whose decease occurred on the third instant, at her homestead above Frankford, Philadelphia, in the 88th year of her age, was the daughter of John and Catharine Castor, old and greatly respected residents of that vicinity. She was the only surviving member of a family of seven children. Her health in early womanhood was quite delicate, but in after years, by care and watchful attention, she almost regained her health. In the year 1827 she married Mr. John Waxler, whom she has survived several years. She was the mother of four children, two

* John and Lewis Unruh, while bathing in General Castor's mill pond, went beyond their depth. Colonel Hiram Castor, at great personal risk, brought both ashore, but John was too far gone to be resuscitated. Note by William Hall Waxler.

William Hall Waxler

John L. Waxler

daughters and two sons. Her daughter Mary died in 1875. The other daughter, Anna M., who has been an invalid for many years, seems to have been almost miraculously spared, and during her mother's declining years ministered faithfully to her every want. One of her sons, John L. Waxler, is a manufacturer and the other, William Hall Waxler, is a Philadelphia lawyer."

"Mrs. Waxler's long and busy life was well spent in doing good and in trying to make others comfortable and happy. She was especially valuable in the sick room; her good judgment and untiring efforts to relieve the sick made her a most desirable friend and neighbor, and caused her to be very frequently sought after."

"As a good wife and kind mother, she had no superior."

Issue:—

327. Anna M. Waxler, deceased.

328. John L. Waxler, m. Sarah W., eldest daughter of Ezra B. Shallcross, a prominent and highly respected citizen of Frankford.

329. Mary Waxler, d. 1875.

330. William Hall Waxler, m. Fannie E., eldest daughter of Colonel James A. Galligher, who was born in Philadelphia, recruited and commanded the 13th Regiment, Pennsylvania Cavalry, in the War of the Rebellion.

260. Sophia Castor, third daughter of John Castor, No. 240, was born August 11, 1803, and died in 1833. She married William Hill.

Issue:—

331. Mary Jane Hill, m. William Wartman.

332. ———, a daughter who d. in infancy.

261. Peter Castor, eldest son of John Castor, No. 240, was born April 23, 1805. He and his brother Thomas owned the black-

smith and wheelwright shop next door to the "Jolly Post." The shop remained on this site until 1860, when they were moved a block farther Northeast. Peter Castor lived on Main Street (now Frankford Avenue) opposite the shop and next door to the present **Dispatch** Office.

Quoting from Dr. William B. Dixon's "Frankford and the Main Street":—

"An incident is related of a hotel kept by a Mr. Paul. One of the town characters went to Peter Castor's blacksmith shop, where he stole a horseshoe, afterward selling it to the unsuspecting Peter for three cents. Afterward, going to the hotel and purchasing 'a three-cent nip,' said he had robbed Peter to pay Paul, and related the process with great gusto."

Peter's name is on a list of the managers of a ball given by the Union League Campaign Club on January 9, 1865, in honor of the re-election of Abraham Lincoln.

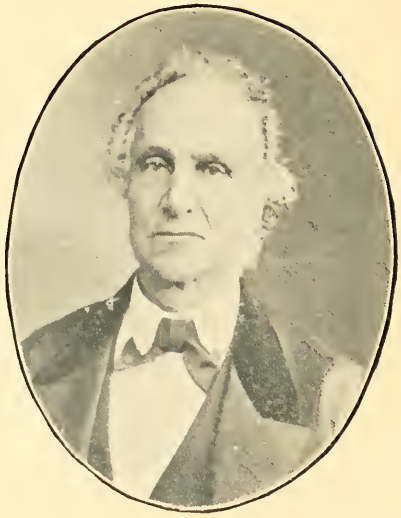
Peter married Sarah, daughter of Samuel Swope, a resident and prominent citizen of Frankford. He died March 30, 1883. Issue:—

333. Catharine Castor, m. Henry Foster. Of whom presently.
334. Emma Castor, m. Frank Fougerey.
335. Thomas S., deceased.
336. Mary Jane Castor, m. Charles A. Keyworth, a merchant and prominent citizen of York, Pa.
337. Sarah Louisa, m. William P. Galligher, a brother of the wife of William Hall Waxler.
338. Annie Castor, deceased.
339. Theodore F. Castor, m. Mary Garlick. No issue.

263. Thomas Castor, third son of John Castor, No. 240, was born October 14, 1810. Next but one to the shop of Thomas and Peter stood and is still standing the old stone house built by

Mary Jane Castor
Daughter of Peter

Peter Castor
1805-1883



Thomas Castor
1810-1884

Thomas Castor in 1839 and into which he moved in 1840. All the stone from which it was built was quarried from its cellar.

"When it was built," says Dr. Dixon, "it was considered the finest house in Frankford." He also says in the same article: "Thomas Castor was a prominent man in the Borough and no one left a better record for honest and straightforward fair dealing and upright moral life."

He attended the Baptist Church. He died on August 4, 1884, and was buried August 9 of that year, age 74. Thomas married Sarah W. Kester, who was born 1807 and died November 8, 1879.
Issue:—

340. John W. Castor, b. 1835, d. Dec. 18, 1860.
341. Charles M. Castor, b. April 6, 1837. Of whom presently.
342. Thomas Elwood Castor, b. June 14, 1840. Of whom presently.
343. Franklin M. Castor, b. Aug., 1843, d. Oct. 7, 1843.
344. Lewis Franklin Castor, m. Annie Eliza Rimer, sister of of the wife of Thomas Elwood Castor.
345. William O. Castor, m. ——— Hobson and second, Florence Walton.
346. Adopted. Mary Ellen Castor, b. 1847, d. Jan. 3, 1869.

265. John Jacob Gray, eldest son of Christina Castor, No. 241, and William Gray, her husband, married twice. His second wife was Susan Cobran.
Issue (by first wife):—

347. Margaret Gray.
348. Amelia Gray.
349. Mary Gray.

Issue (by second wife):—

350. Martha Gray.
351. Wesley Gray.

352. Ruth Gray.
353. Phineas Gray.

266. Susan M. Gray, eldest daughter of Christina Castor, No. 241, and William Gray, her husband, married Andrew Hunter.

Issue:—

354. Sydney Hunter.
355. Sarah Hunter.

267. Sarah Gray, second daughter of Christina Gray, No. 241, and her husband, William Gray, married, first, Benjamin Noblet and second, Randall Mellon.

Issue (by first husband):—

356. Ann Noblet.
357. William Noblet.

Issue (by second husband):—

358. Castor Mellon.
359. Benjamin Mellon.
360. Thomas Mellon.
361. Abner Mellon.

268. Castor W. Gray, second son of Christina Castor, No. 241, and William Gray, her husband, married Hannah Pitt.

Issue:—

362. Sarah Gray.
363. Mary Gray.
364. Washington Gray.
365. Emma Gray.
366. Joseph Gray.

269. Samuel C. Gray, third son of Christina Gray, No. 241, and her husband, William Gray, married Sarah Wolstencroft.

Issue:—

367. Christina Gray.
368. Mary Gray.
369. Wliliam Gray.
370. John Gray.
371. Margaret Gray.
372. Caleb Gray.
373. Samuel Gray.
374. Sarah Gray.
375. George Gray.

270. Elizabeth Gray, third daughter of Christina Castor, No. 241, and William Gray, her husband, married Enoch Coles.

Issue:

376. Enoch Coles.
377. Theodore Coles.

271. Maria Gray, twin of Elizabeth No. 270, married Charles Johnson.

Issue:—

378. Robert Johnson.
379. Christina Johnson.

274. Elmira Gray, fifth daughter of Christina Castor, No. 241, and William Gray, her husband, married Nathan Larkin.

Issue:—

380. Wilmer Larkin.
381. John Larkin.
382. Rebecca Larkin.
383. Elizabeth Larkin.
384. Hester Larkin.

275. Rebecca Gray, sixth daughter of Christina Castor, No.

241, and her husband, William Gray, married George Graul.

Issue:—

385. George Graul.
386. Anna Graul.
387. Hannah Graul.
388. Daniel Graul.
389. James Graul.
390. Sarah Graul.
391. Caroline Graul.
392. Alberta Graul.

333. Catharine Castor, eldest daughter of Peter Castor, No. 261, married Henry Foster.

Issue:—

393. Mary Foster.
394. Peter Castor Foster.

341. Charles M. Castor, second son of Thomas Castor, No. 263, married Wilhelmina, daughter of William and Angelica Buckius, widely known and highly respected residents of Aramingo, which is now a portion of the Twenty-fifth ward, Philadelphia. Charles was born April 6, 1837, and died March 30, 1888, being interred on April 3.

Issue:—

395. George Castor, b. Jan. 20, 1859, m. ——— Sprotts, and had issue ——— a daughter, who m. ——— Pollitt. George d. Jan. 20, 1891.

342. Thomas Elwood Castor, third son of Thomas Castor, No. 263, was born in June, 1840. He married Mary Jane Rimer. His name is on the list of managers of the ball mentioned in the section devoted to Peter Castor.

Issue:—

396. Allen Castor.

397. Horace W. Castor.

345. William O. Castor, fourth son of Thomas Castor, No. 263, married Elizabeth Boone, who was born 1850-1851 and died January 30, 1879.

Issue:—

398. Dr. Thomas Castor.

399. Josephine Hobson Castor, b. Feb. 17, 1878, d. Mar. 29, 1878.

DESCENDANTS OF JACOB CASTOR, NO. 6.

UNCLASSIFIED RECORDS FROM HEADSTONES IN CEDAR HILL CEMETERY.

Mary Helena, infant daughter of L. Frank and Annie E. Castor.

Anne E. Castor, d. April 2, 1904.

Lot of John Castor.

Henry, son of John and Margaret, D. Company, 71st Penn. Vols., d. Oct. 25, 1862, age 29 years, 7 days, in the service of his country. (Name also on Soldiers' Monument, same cemetery).

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Died for their country (on monument).

John Castor, d. Balls Bluff.

Henry Castor.

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Another lot contains:

Henry E., b. June 16, 1884, d. July 2, 1900.

Jane E., b. May 5, 1847, d. July 26, 1852.

Henry B., b. July 26, 1852.

Sarah Ann, dau. of Edmund S. and Caroline Castor, d. Aug. 25, 1889, age 76 years.

Edmund S. Castor, b. Apr. 21, 1822, d. July 4, 1894.

PORTIONS OF "ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FRANKFORD," COMPILED BY THE REV. THOMAS MURPHY.

"Its founders were, most of them, Swiss, from the city of Basle. "A few of them were of the original German settlers of German "town and all this region. They, therefore commenced it as a Ger "man Calvinist, or German Reformed Church, with all its services "and all its records in the German language.

"The only important document we have remaining to us of the "first period—the period of thirty-two years—the period during "which the Church continued German Reformed—is a sort of ded- "icatory record. In order that its very spirit may remain, I will "give it as it was translated by a German—in the exact idiom of the "original. 'In the name of the Holy Trinity. Amen.' Whereas it has "pleased the Almighty and All-wise God through His providence "and His Holy Ghost, to inspire the following persons, viz.: George "Castor, Sr. (No. 2), Henry Rorer, Sr., Rudolph Neff and Sirach "Schudy to build a house for the glory of His holy Name: There- "fore, these above-named persons, with their friends, have con- "sulted together about the undertaking of this great work, and the "following persons, viz.: Frederick Castor (No. 4), Rudolph Maw- "rer, Jacob Zebly, Jacob Myer, have joined them to help with heart "and hand and deed to carry out the above measure. The begin- "ning of this was undertaken by the above-named persons, in the "year of our Lord 1769, in the month of Januarv, in the purchase of "a lot for a burial ground. But after this, through the help of God, "and the many friends and patrons, whose names will be found in "the minute books, and to whom we and all our successors will owe "the most sincere thanks, it was resolved that a church should be "built on the said burial ground, and the work thereof was com-

"menced in April, 1770.

" 'We can well affirm that the progress of this building was con-
"ducted in a desirable manner, by the blessing of God, in great har-
"mony, in a peaceful and untiring effort. On the fourth of May, in
"the same year, the corner-stone was laid by the Rev. Mr. Foehring.
"Since the church is not entirely out of debt, as you will see in the
"minutes and records, as well as from the receipts of Rudolph Neff
"and Frederick Castor (No. 4), we, therefore, feel constrained to
"present a correct account and full statement of all, that our
"descendants and all who shall be interested might have a record
"which they could examine in the future. Wherefore, we say to
"those who will follow us, be careful and wise; be on your guard—
"so that you may increase as well as enlarge your numbers; and
"may never get tired of keeping this building in good repair. We
"wish you, therefore, good success. 'O Jerusalem, lift up your heads,
"O ye gates, and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors, and the King
"of Glory shall come in.' Now, God Almighty, Creator of the uni-
"verse, we commend to thee this house which we have built in Thy
"holy name and for the glory of God. Keep in Thy hands and pro-
"tection those who shall meet in it. Destroy all false doctrines and
"all that is intended to destroy Thy word. Give now and forever
"Thy grace, peace and unity, and Thine shall be the praise and
"thanks, honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.'

"This devout and important document is written in a beautiful
"hand at the beginning of what was intended for a Book of Rec-
"ords, but, alas, excepting some accounts, it is the last record made
"for thirty-two years, whilst the Church was German Reformed.
"We must pause to look at the honored names with which this
"Church originated: George Castor (No. 2), Rudolph Neff, Henry
"Rorer, Sirach Schudy. Excepting the last, their descendants are
"still with us. The first is the grandfather of another George Castor

"(No. 157), to whom the Church is more indebted than to any other "man. And with them were other names not to be forgotten, some "of whose descendants are still prominent in the Church. Jacob "Myer (now Myers), Rudolph Mowrer, Jacob Zebly, and Freder- "ick Carster (now Castor) (No. 41), son of George (No. 2). Their "names must never be forgotten while the Church stands. It is "believed that all of these had either come from Switzerland or "were of Swiss descent."

George Castor (No. 157) was elected elder in 1801, and held that office until he died in 1844.

About 1830 or 1840 Henry Castor was one of the Deacons.

Samuel Castor was, about 1830, one of the trustees.

"In 1818 Jesse Y. Castor established what was called the Har- "monic Society—a sort of singing school—whose first meetings "were held around the stove of the Church, but which continued in "existence for many years. He was the leader of the music for "three years, though he had before been associated in that office "with Mr. Teese."

Jesse Y. Castor was a trustee after 1834.

George Johnson Castor was a trustee as was Barton Castor.

FROM THE RECORDS OF THE GERMAN REFORMED CHURCH OF PHILADELPHIA.

BORN.

George, son of George and Eve Gerster, December 14, 1736.

Frederich, son of George and Eva Gerster, April 27, 1739.

BAPTIZED.

Susanna, daughter of George Gerster and his wife, Margaretha, January 9, 1780.

Wilhelm, son of George Gerster and Margaret his wife, December 15, 1782. Born October 15, 1782.

The God parents of both were Valentine Hoffman and Catrina his wife.

MARRIED.

John George Gerster and Anna Maria Burghart, December 2, 1782.

George Gerster and Margaret Jung, March 22, 1787.

Margaret Gerster and Jacob Myer, March 27, 1787.

Ann Castor and William Jung, January 9, 1823.

Susanna Castor and Samuel S. Vanharlingen, June 24, 1825.

COMMUNICANTS CONFIRMED ON EASTER SUNDAY, 1783.

George Gerster, Elizabeth Gerster, Mathias Gerster, Jacob Gerster, Margr. Gerster and Henrich Gerster.

CONFIRMED 1789.

Sara Gerster.

FROM THE RECORDS OF THE FIRST MORAVIAN CHURCH OF PHILADELPHIA.

BAPTIZED.

Veronica Gerster, December 26, 1745. Baptized by M. Rights.
Abraham Gerster, July 4, 1747. Baptized by A. Reincke.
Johanna Gerster, Palm Sunday, 1749.
Sarah Gerster, August 11, 1751. Born June 8, 1751.

FROM THE RECORDS OF THE OLD SWEDES CHURCH OF PHILADELPHIA.

MARRIED.

Jacob Caster and Sophy Bore (Rorer), January 10, 1760.
Margaret Castor and James Johnson, January 25, 1791.
Mathias Castor and Rebecca Johnson, April 8, 1792.
Henry Castor and Anna Godschall, November 27, 1792.

FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PHILADELPHIA.

MARRIED.

Hannah Castor and Jacob Myers, October 19, 1790.
Jacob Castor and Hannah Mowry, December 23, 1790.

FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FRANKFORD.

Born, Baptized, Married, Died, Etc.

Susan M. Castor, d. November 26, 1854, in the 88th year of her age.

Ann, wife of David Allen, d. August 21, 1869, in her 64th year.
George Frederick Castor, bap. October 13, 1820, d. April 26,

1823. Son of Jesse Y. and Harriot Castor.

William Castor married Elizabeth Northrop, March 29, 1821.

Harriet, wife of Jesse Y. Castor, b. May 14, 1795, d. August 21, 1835.

Harriet F. Castor, b. April 16, 1827, d. August 1, 1827.

Jesse Y. Castor, b. October 4, 1794, d. April 5, 1846.

Margaret Castor, d. March 11, 1888, age 77 years.

PARTIAL LIST OF THE CASTORS BURIED IN THE YARD OF THE CHURCH.

Samuel Castor's child.
Jacob Castor's child.
Henry Castor's wife. (1).
Henry Castor's wife (2).
Wife of Jacob Castor, Sr.
Joseph Caster.
Frederick Caster.
Frederick Caster, Jr.
Jacob Caster's child.
George Caster.
John Caster.
George Caster.
Jacob Castor's child.
Samuel Castor's child.
Mathias Castor.
David Castor.
Margaret Matilda Castor.
Josephine Castor.
Dyer Castor.
Eve Castor.
Hannah Ann Castor.
Abraham Castor's daughter.
Another.
His son.
Abraham Castor.
Elizabeth Castor.
George Castor.
His child.
Abraham's daughter.
Henry Castor.
Jacob Castor.
John Castor.
Henry Castor's last wife.
William Castor.
Lieut. Thomas F. Castor.
Sarah Castor.
Lewis David Castor.
Veronica Castor.

FROM THE RECORDS OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH OF FRANKFORD.

Copied from the record kept by Mr. Coulston by his sister, Miss Mary E. Coulston. The copy, in Miss Coulston's hand, has been deposited in the Library of the Pennsylvania Historical Society.

BAPTIZED.

Miss Ellen Castor, May 15, 1862. Mrs. Willie Castor, February 9, 1890.

BURIED.

Mary Ellen Castor, January 7, 1869, age 73. Sadie E. Castor, July 4, 1880, age 10. Mrs. S. Castor, November 13, 1869, age 20. Thomas Castor, August 9, 1884, age 74. Charles M. Castor, April 3, 1888, age 57.

TOMBSTONE AND CHURCH RECORDS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CASTORS
THE CASTOR GRAVES IN THE OLD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHYARD

The most notable of the Castor graves in the old Presbyterian Churchyard are those of George Castor, the immigrant; his eldest son, George Castor, of Holmesburg; his eldest son, Mathias Castor, of Holmesburg, and his eldest son, who left issue, William Castor, of Holmesburg. The first three are buried in one lot, each with his wife beside him. William and his wife lie together almost back of the former lot.

In
Memory of
George Castor
who departed this life the
24th of December
1797
Aged 87 Years, 9 Months
3 Weeks and 3 Days:

Remember man as you pass by
As you are now so once was I
As I am now so you must be
Prepare for death and follow me.

Here lies the body of
Eve Caster
Who departed this life
July 29, 1777
Aged 67 Years, 4 Months
and 3 Days

Sacred
to the Memory of
George Castor
who was born December 14th
1736.
Died May 25th, 1811
Aged 74 Years, 5 Months
and 11 Days.

Why should we mourn departing friends,
Or shake at death's alarms;
'Tis but the voice that Jesus sends
To call them to His arms.
You arrive three score and ten,
Before we are called away.
How frail a thing is mortal man;
When called he must obey!
May he rest in peace. Amen.

Sacred
to the Memory of
Margaret Castor
wife of
George Castor
who departed this life
August 16th, 1811
in the 67th Year of her age.

O, reader, stand and cast an eye
Upon this grave wherein I lie,
For cruel death has challenged me
And in short time will call on thee.
Repent in time; make no delay,
For Christ will call us all away.
My time was wasted like dew in the sun;
Beyond all cares my glass is run.

CASTOR GRAVES IN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHYARD

Reading from right to left—Eve Castor and George Castor, the Immigrants; George Castor and his wife, Margaret, of Pennypack Farm, Holmesburg; (George was eldest son of George Castor, the Immigrant;) and Matthias Castor and his wife Rebecca, also of Pennypack farm. Matthias was eldest son of George, eldest son of George the Immigrant.

Sacred
to the Memory of
Matthias Castor
born November 19th, 1763
and departed this life
December 2nd, 1835
Aged 72 Years and
13 Days

Sacred
to the Memory of
Rebecca Castor
born December 20th, 1774
and departed this life
October 27th, 1821
Aged 46 Years, 10 Months
and 7 Days.

Sacred
to the Memory of
William Castor
born
May 26, 1797
died
March 16, 1839.

Save me, O God, by Thy name,
And judge me by Thy strength.
Hear my prayer, O God; give
Ear to the words from my mouth.

Sacred
to the Memory of
Elizabeth S.
Relict of
William Castor
born
May 29, 1798

died
April 22, 1861.

Lord receive my parting breath.
How gently I am sinking now
Into thine arms, O death.

In Memory of
Hannah Ann Castor
daughter of
William and Hannah Castor
was born November 14th
1807
and departed this life
April 6th, 1810
Aged 2 Years, 5 Months
and 8 Days.

Happy soul, thy days are ended;
All mourning days below.
Go by angel guards attended—
To the sight of Jesus go.

In Memory of
Samuel, son of
George and Ann Castor
who departed this life
May 10th, 1832
aged 2 Years.

In
Memory of
Elizabeth
daughter of
George and Ann Castor
who departed this life
April 17th, 1832
aged 8 Months.

Sacred
to the Memory of
George Castor, Jr.
who departed this life
February the 2nd, 1810
aged 36 Years, 7 Months
and 22 Days.

My God, my God, my light, my love,
Mine only, only friend,
I seek, I long, I look for Thee.
Why wilt thou not attend?

In Memory of
Elizabeth Castor
daughter of
George and Mary
Castor
was born December 13th, 1796
died February 9th, 1804, aged
8 Years, 1 Month, 27 Days.

Weep not for me, my parents dear,
Tho' I am from you tain,
For here I'll safe and soundly sleep
Till we unite again.

In Memory of
General Samuel Castor
died June 14th, 1855
in the 77th Year of his age.

Asleep in Jesus.
Gone, but not forgotten.

In Memory of
Dyer Castor
who departed this life
November 6th, 1845
aged 32 Years.

In Memory of
Hannah
wife of Samuel Castor
who departed this life
August 27th, 1842
in the 55th Year of her age.

Jesse Y. Castor
born
October 4th, 1794
died April 5th, 1840.

In Memory of
Margaret Castor
who departed this life
March 11th, 1888
aged 77 Years.

In Memory of
George Frederick
son of Jesse Y. and Harriet Castor
born 8th November, 1820
died 26th April, 1823.

Harriet
wife of
Jesse Y. Castor
born May 14th, 1795
died August 21st, 1835.

Harriet F.
born April 16th, 1827
died August 1st, 1827.

Harriet
born June 22nd, 1835.
died December 30th, 1835.

Infant children of
Jesse Y. and Harriet Castor.

Eliza Castor

Sarah Castor

In Memory of
Susan M. Castor
died November 26th, 1854
in the 88th Year of her age.

There is a calm for those who weep,
A rest for weary pilgrims found;
They softly lie and sweetly sleep
Low in the ground.

Ann
wife of David Allen
died August 21st, 1869
in her 64th Year.

M. M. C.

Castor
George Castor
born February 25th, 1765
died September 3rd, 1844.

Margaret
wife of
George Castor
born May 8th, 1765
died January 19th, 1855.

Margaret Matilda
Eldest daughter of
Jesse Y. and Harriet Castor
born December 2nd, 1823
died July 18th, 1844.

Sarah Castor
born 1796, died 1861.

Eliza Castor
born 1798, died 1869.
Daughters of
George and Margaret Castor.

1st Lieut.
Thomas F. Castor
1st Regiment, U. S. Dragoons
son of
Jesse Y. and Harriet Castor
born May 14th, 1822
died at Fort Tejon, California
September 8th, 1835.

In Memory of
Frederick Castor
who departed this life
January 19th, 1792
was born September 20th, 1775
aged 16 Years, 5 Months,
3 Weeks and 6 Days.

Remember man as you pass by,
As you are now so once was I,
As I am now so you must be;
Prepare for death and follow me.

In Memory of
Frederick Castor
who departed this life the
27th August, 1806
aged 6 Years, 4 Months and
6 Days.

My day well spent, I rest content;
My cares and sufferings o'er.
The morning come I'll burst the tomb
And rise to fight no more.

Sacred
to
the Memory of
Elizabeth Earl
who departed this life
July 9, 1841
in the 73rd Year of her age.

Weep not for me, my children dear;
To grieve it is in vain.
Christ is our hope, we need not fear,
But we shall meet again.

Sacred
to the Memory of
David Castor
who departed this life
June 3rd, 1822
aged 45 Years.

His best eulogy is the
acknowledgment of his
many virtues.
And his best epitaph
his pure and unblemished
character.

In
Memory of
Lewis David Castor
son of
Hiram and Eveline Castor
who departed this life
January 31st, 1854
aged 4 Years, 3 Months
and 7 Days

In
Memory of
Eliza, daughter of
Samuel and Hannah Castor
who died September 11th, 1807
aged 8 Months and 11 Days.

In Memory of Charles Castor
son of Hiram and Eveline Castor
who departed this life
July 22nd, 1835
aged 6 Months and 27 Days.

A BRANCH OF THE CASTOR FAMILY, CONNECTION UNKNOWN, WHICH LEFT PENNSYLVANIA AND SETTLED IN THE WESTERN RESERVE OF OHIO

ABOUT 1818.

1. Noah Castor.

Issue:—

2. Noah.
3. Conrad.
4. Benjamin.

2. Noah Castor, son of Noah Castor, No. 1, had—

Issue:—

5. George Freeman, b. May 24, 1851, in Cleveland, Ohio.
6. Frank.

5. George Freeman Castor, eldest son of Noah Castor, No. 2, and born as above stated, had—

Issue:—

7. Noah F., b. Sept. 13, 1875, d. infancy.
6. George Dewitt, b. Nov. 7, 1876, in Cleveland, Ohio.
9. William Perry, b. Aug. 29, 1879, in Cleveland, Ohio.
10. Jean Roy, b. Sept. 25, 1881, in Cleveland, Ohio.

CASTOR MILITARY SERVICE.

THE CASTOR FAMILY IN THE REVOLUTION.

Frederick Castor, eldest son of John George Castor, was Lieutenant of the First Company, Second Battalion, Philadelphia County Militia, in 1780. He was at the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown.

Jacob Castor, third son of John George Castor, was commissioned Second Lieutenant of the Seventh Company, Second Battalion, Bucks County Militia, May 6, 1777.

Mathias Castor, eldest son of George Castor, eldest son of John George Castor, saw service at the Siege of Yorktown.

OTHER CASTORS IN THE REVOLUTION, NOT DESCENDED FROM JOHN GEORGE CASTOR.

Philip Castor served in the First Pennsylvania Line from January 1, 1777, to January, 1781.

Charles Castor is listed in a report to Colonel Bartholomew by Lieutenant Davis Kerlins as having enlisted in the last five days' mustering in 1781.

Philip and Jacob Caster, in the year 1781, were in the Third Company, Fifth Battalion, Northampton County Militia.

Paul Caster was a member of Isaac Thomas' Company of Foot Militia, First Battalion of Chester County.

Samuel Caster served in the same company.

Felty Castor served in the Bedford County Militia. Luther

R. Kelker, Custodian of Public Records, Harrisburg, writes that this Felty "was one Valentine Caster."

Henry Gerster served in the Northampton Continental Line. This man, whose descendants spell their names Caster and Castor, emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1749.

THE CASTOR FAMILY IN THE MEXICAN WAR.

Lieutenant Thomas F. Castor, a graduate of West Point, was Commissioned Lieutenant in the First United States Dragoons, in which organization he served throughout the Mexican War. He died in the service at Fort Tejon, California, September 8, 1855.

THE CASTOR FAMILY IN THE CIVIL WAR.

Lewis Castor, Twenty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers.
Frank Castor, Twenty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers.
Henry Castor, Seventy-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.
John Castor, Seventy-first Pennsylvania Volunteers.
William Castor, Ninty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers.
Edwin A. Castor, First Sergeant, Ninth Pennsylvania Militia.
Charles W. Castor, Fortieth Pennsylvania Militia.

Henry died in the service. William was killed at Spotsylvania. John was killed at Ball's Bluff.

CHARLES DEAL'S LETTER TO WILLIAM HALL WAXLER.

November 27, 1897.

William Hall Waxler, Esq.

Sir:—

George Castor, No. 1, emigrated from near Balle, Switzerland, to this country some time between 1750 and 1760. My great great-grandfather, Gardner, came from the same neighborhood some years before. I never knew where he, George Castor, first settled. He had several sons and daughters, the most notable of which was Frederick. He was the father of cork-leg or George, No. 3, and I believe, John, your grandfather, David, who did not marry, and Samuel, that I remember. He had three daughters, Hannah and Margaret, the wives of John and Jacob Myers, and Lizzie, the widow of Caleb Earle for many years.

Samuel had three children, Dyre, who died young, and Hiram, the father of Charles Castor, now living, and Margaret, who died a few years ago. The descendants of Hannah Myers are Elijah, the architect, and George Myers, who lived in Philadelphia a few years ago, and their children, Jacob and Margaret Myers, had two sons, Jacob, the eldest, who married Anette Rowland and farmed his father's upper farm for a number of years and afterward started the rake making, etc., which his sons and son-in-law now carry on, on one of the branches of Frankford Creek, near Shoemakertown, and Reuben, who got the homstead at Milltown. He married Margaret Nice and left three sons, Albert, who kept the store at Milltown, which is since down. Another son farmed

the place for years, is now in the wheelwright business and carriage making business at the northeast corner of Second Street and Mill Road. Sarah, the only daughter, lives in some part of the homestead proper.

There were three daughters, Mary, the oldest, who was the wife of William Wilstack, who kept a stove store and other ironware at the west corner of Second and Vine for years. He had two sons, Charles, the oldest, who did not live to be old. He left a daughter, but I do not know what became of her. William got in the mercantile line and got to be very rich. He married a daughter of Joseph Harris, the Baptist minister of Pennepack Church for years. He gave up his business and travelled in Europe for several years and made collections of paintings, etc., and on his road home went to Saratoga and died suddenly. He left his property conditionally to the Apprentices' Library, i. e., if the daughter did not live to come of age, and the daughter died before she came of age and the estate went for the purpose it was willed.

Margaret was married to Daniel Brauticum, a merchant of Northumberland, and in a few years he died and left her with four sons, none of which are now living.

Eliza, the other daughter, was married to Robert Buckman, who taught school at Milltown for years. They had two daughters, one the wife or widow of Charles Murphy; the other, the widow of George Leman (Lehman), the organ builder. John and Hannah Myers had two sons. The oldest, John, farmed the place and married Elizabeth Thomas. The other children are Elijah, the architect, and George, who was conductor on the Fifth and Sixth Street T. R. R. for a time and believe he is now living in West Philadelphia. Elijah, the other son, was an apothecary and he married and carried on the business in Philadelphia for a few years and died. He left one daughter.

The daughters were, the oldest, Hannah, who married ——— Megargee, and the father bought a farm in Bucks Co., and they lived on it until the estate was settled, after which they moved to Frankford. One of their sons did well. David, another, did not do so well.

The other daughter, Elizabeth, was the wife of Thomas Eckley, who kept the hotel at the corner of Second Street Pike and Milltown Road, or Martin's Mill Road. They had two sons who were in the spice business in Philadelphia some years ago.

George Castor, or cork-leg George, had one son, Jesse Y., who was a lawyer. He had one son, Thomas, who was an officer in the United States Army, who died young, and Poinsett, now living on a lot on the old farm, and one daughter, Josephine Foster, whose children live in cottages on the old homestead farm. Jesse did not live to be old; he died about sixty years. There were two daughters of George, No. 3, Sarah and Eliza.

I remember a Jacob Castor, a grandson of George, No. 1, who lived in a one-and-a-half-story house on the west side of Adams street, a short distance north of Frankford Avenue. He had four sons—Jacob, Rudolph, John and Henry—and one daughter, Ann, the wife of David Allen. There was a Henry Castor, a brother of Jacob, one of whose daughters was Betsy, the wife of Thomas Rorer. The other was the first wife of Thomas Rowland.

The farm between the Bushby and Holt tract and the Oxford Road and Second Street was what is now called the Vankirk farm. It was owned by Catharine Castor. I believe she inherited it. She was a Castor (Fox) by birth. She and her two sons, Isaac and George (a good, easy-going man), and her daughter, Catharine, the grass widow of Josiah Marple, lived there, and after the mother died, the place was sold and the sons moved away from this part of the country. Catharine Marple had one daughter, who after-

ward was the wife of George N. Hoffman.

I have good reason to believe that all the Castors in the 23rd and 35th Wards sprung from George, No. 1. Matthias Castor, a cousin of George, No. 3, owned the farm the House of Correction is on and the farm on Salter Lane, owned since by one of the Laferty's, sixty years ago. He was the father of Long George, the father of Howard, etc., and owned the farm on Dark Run Lane. There were other Castors, but I cannot trace them back. It is not so easy tracing these things back as when Peter and Thomas were living.

Yours truly,

CHARLES E. DEAL.

The Rorers, Castors and Myers were all very much mixed by inter-marriage. They were all uncles, aunts and cousins.

COPIES OF A FEW OF THE HUNDRED ODD LETTERS CARRIED BY DYRE CASTOR ON HIS TRIP THROUGH KENTUCKY. THE ORIGINAL COPIES ARE IN THE POSSESSION OF ELLEN CASTOR GARSED.

Washington City, 12 May, 1836.

To the Citizens of my Congressional District.

Permit me to introduce to your acquaintance and commend to your favorable consideration D. Castor, Esq., who has been regularly appointed Collector for the State of Kentucky of voluntary subscriptions or contributions for the purpose of erecting in this City a National Monument to the memory of Washington.

That every Citizen of the Nation might have the pleasure of becoming a contributor to the erection of this patriotic undertaking you will perceive that no one is allowed to contribute an amount exceeding one Dollar for himself. I should be grateful to see the District which I have the honor to represent sustain its uniform character for patriotic liberality upon this most interesting occasion.

Most affectionately your
o'b't Servt.
RH. M. JOHNSON
(Vice Pres., etc., of the U. S.)

Washington, May 16, 1836.

The Society formed in this City for the erection of a monument to the memory of George Washington has appointed the bearer, Mr. Dyer Castor, to receive contributions for that purpose from Citizens of the State of Kentucky.

Mr. Castor will explain the object of the association of which

he is the agent and he has our hearty wishes for success. We take the liberty, therefore, of introducing Mr. C. to our fellow Citizens of Kentucky as a gentleman entitled to their civilities and attentions.

(Signed)

H. Clay, J. R. Underwood, John Calhoun, John Chambers, John White, Richard French, J. J. Crittenden, John Boyd, Rh. M. Johnson, J. Harlan, Wm. J. Graves.

Washington City, May 30, 1836.

Dear John:—

The bearer, Mr. Castor, of this City, a friend of Dr. Blake, leaves here in a day or two for your place. He has been appointed Collector for the Washington Monument about to be erected in this place. I take pleasure in introducing him to you as a highly respectable gentleman and I beg that you will do whatever you can to further his views. He will travel through the State and your advice as to route, etc., may be of service to him, and will doubtless be acceptable. Any attention shown him will be appreciated by your brother,

W. A GORDON.

Mr. John G. Gordon, Louisville.

Washington City, May 22, 1836.

Dear Sir:—

Permit me to introduce to your acquaintance and hospitality my friend, Dyer Castor, Esqre. The business of his mission he will explain to you and it is believed will be encouraged by every true-hearted Kentuckian. Apart from the object Mr. C. has in visiting your State, he is worthy of your friendly attentions and kind civilities. Whatever you may do to prosper his undertaking or make his stay agreeable in Kentucky will be gratefully remembered by him and cheerfully reciprocated by me whenever an opportunity favorable is presented.

Most Respectfully I have the honor to be Your friend and most obt. St.

BENJ. F. CURREY.

James Donaldson, Esqre., Bowling Green, Ky.

By the same, letters of introduction and recommendation were addressed to:—Hon. Joel Yancey, Glasgow—Hon. Thomas P. Moore, Harrodsburg—Joseph Ficklin, Esq., Postmaster, Lexington—Major Henry, Bowling Green—Wilkins Tannehill, Esq., Louisville—Shadrick Penn, Jr., Esq., Editor Public Advertiser, Louisville—Charlton Hunt, Esq., Lexington.

Washington City, May 30, 1836.

Dear Brother:—

My friend, Mr. Castor, is about to visit Kentucky, and may extend his journey as far as your town. Should he do so, I hope you will endeavour to make the period of his sojourn with you pass agreeably.

Your affectionate brother,

JOHN G. BLAKE.

Colonel Thos. H. Blake, Terre Haute, Indiana.

Washington City, 25 May, 1836.

My dear Sir:—

This letter will be handed to you by Mr. Dyer Castor, a young gentleman who goes to Kentucky in the capacity of agent for the Washington Monument Association, to whom allow me to introduce you.

Mr. Dyer is a gentleman of good moral character and held in high esteem by his acquaintances here, to him therefore I pray you to extend your polite attention. Please say to my dear sister that I shall soon be at your house and that I shall hope to have the pleasure of finding you, herself and children in the enjoyment of good health and happiness.

With great esteem I am your most obt. Servt.,

J. TURNER.

Asa Payne, Esq., Near Lexington, Ky.

Washington, 29 May, 1836.

Dear Lloyd:—

I beg leave to introduce to your acquaintance Mr. Castor, of Pennsylvania, a gentleman of high respectability and standing in

Society, who will present you this letter.

He has for a year or two resided in this City where his amiable disposition and moral worth have made his numerous friends.

He is about visiting Kentucky on the same business that John Addison was engaged in during the past winter, where, in all probability, he will become a permanent settler. I feel assured that at my request you will take pleasure in showing that attention to Mr. Castor, so grateful to a traveller in a strange country.

Your affectionate father,

W. D. ADDISON.

Lloyd D. Addison. (From Rev. Wm. D. Addison.)

Washington City, 25 May, 1836.

My dear Brother:—

Allow me to introduce to your acquaintance Mr. Dyer Castor. Mr. Castor goes to Kentucky in capacity of agent to the Washington Monument Association. I have lived with him near one month in this place at the same house and found him to be a gentleman of agreeable manners, of good moral character and esteemed by all his acquaintances—in favor of such an one I need not add, that I request your polite attention.

I am, my dear brother, most sincerely yours,

IN. TURNER (Judge Turner, of Louisiana.)

Honble. Fielding L. Turner, Lexington (Ky.).

Washington, May 2nd, 1836.

Dear Sir:—

Allow me to make you acquainted with my particular friend, Mr. Dyer Castor, of Pennsylvania. He is a young gentleman of the very first respectability and character and on whose acquaintance I am confident you will be much pleased. He visits Kentucky as collector of contributions for that noble monument, the Washington Monument Society. It is needless for me to say in what high esteem he is held here, as his credentials and testimonials be an ample testimony of that fact. I can rest assured, from the enthusiastic part which you have already taken and your desire to

promote the object, will ensure your aid in furthering the views of Mr. Castor.

Having been for some time a resident in Kentucky, I trust it will be in your power to facilitate the object, by making him acquainted with some of your friends in different parts of the State. Any assistance which it may be in your power to render, I shall esteem as a great favor and will be ever grateful to you for the kindness.

With much regard
I remain yr. friend and obt. St.
JNO. ADDISON.

(To) J. Rice, Esqre., Louisville.

The same leter was also addressed to:—
General James Taylor (Newport).
His Excellency, J. T. Moorehead, Governor of Kentucky.
Rev. Robert Ash, Louisville, Ky.
Charles L. Rowand, Louisville, Ky.
Stephen Haskell, Lloyd D. Addison, Walker Holloway, Louisville, and Messrs. Anderson and Stephenson, Frankfort.

THE OLD SWORD
ON EXHIBITION IN THE NATIONAL MUSEUM, INDEPENDENCE HALL.

In the National Museum, Independence Hall, Philadelphia, is an old sword presented to the museum June 22, 1875, by Mr. Joseph Rorer, of Philadelphia.

The inscription reads:—"Sword captured from an English vessel during the Revolution, by Lieutenant Castor."

Frederick and Jacob were both Lieutenants in the Revolutionary Army and, as far as the records we have been able to secure go, neither were in any way connected with the Navy. It is possible that Abraham or his brother, George, may have been the Lieutenant mentioned. In this supposition Abraham should be given the preference, as his family was more closely connected with that of the donor than was that of George Castor.

CASTOR TAXABLES.

CASTOR TAXABLES IN NORTHAMPTON COUNTY IN 1780 AND 1786, NOT DESCENDED FROM JOHN GEORGE CASTOR.

MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP.

1780.

Leonard Caster, taylor, £82.
Michael Caster, farmer, £585.

1786.

Leonard Castor, 80 acres, 1 horse and 1 cow. Six Shillings.
Michael Caster, 100 acres, 2 horses and 3 cows. Fifteen Shillings, five pence.

ALLEN TOWNSHIP.

Henry Gester, weaver, £25.

CHESTER COUNTY RATES, 1780.

Samuel Castor.

A FEW FACTS CONCERNING THE GERMAN CASTOR FAMILY.*

From a Letter by Jacob B. Castor, of Scranton, Pa.

The first Castor mentioned in German history was the son of a cloth weaver. He lived in the fourth century, was a monk, and lived in a cave near Cardena, on the Moselle. Castor was also a cloth weaver and, after a trip to Rome, preached Christianity to the people. After his death he was canonized and there is still a church of St. Castor, which is situated near the cave, which is still in existence. There is also a church of St. Castor at Coblentz. The forefathers of this St. Castor came originally from Spain, where they were also weavers. Branches of the family are now to be found in Belgium, Holland, Switzerland and the United States. The old homestead in Ober-Wese on the Rhine, between Coblentz and Bingen, has not changed hands for 1300 years. The family is called Castor of the Berg. Jacob B. Castor's father was John Baptist Castor, and his grandfather, Balthasar Castor, born 1799. There is a Castor Township, Mo.

*It is extremely doubtful if the Castor family of Pennsylvania has anything whatsoever to do with this family. Note the original spelling of the name in section devoted to that subject.—G. C. M.

Nov. 24, 191.
Room 328.

Mrs. Royce:

Will you kindly make an extra set of cards for this. It may appear sometime as a separate publication.

Yours truly,
H.C.S.

Mr. Stippel: —
I believe the cataloguing as it is will be sufficient even if a separate is desired.

A. Mooty

THE CASTORS OF CASTORLAND

THE DESCENDANTS OF
JOHN DE CASTORER, AN ENSIGN IN THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY, WHO SETTLED IN REDFIELD, NEW YORK, AFTER THE WAR

COMPILED BY

HENRY A. JEAN CASTOR

MARTIN & ALLARDYCE
FRANKFORD, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA
1910

CASTORLAND, THE HOME OF THE CASTORS OF NEW YORK STATE.

"On the 12th of April, 1793, Constable conveyed 210,000 acres, "by deed, for £25,000, to (Peter) Chassanis, of Paris, since known "as the **Chassanis Tract, Castorland,** or the **French Company's** "**Land,** bounded North by No. IV. of McComb's Purchase, South "and West by the Black River, and East by a line running North, "nine miles from a point near High Falls, and hence North Easter- "ly on such a course as might include 210,000 acres."

The above was communicated by the New York State Historian. The following is copied from Dr. Franklin B. Hough's "History of Oswego County":

"In 1792 several New York men bought 2,000,000 acres in the "above mentioned region and at once sailed for Paris, France, "where they formed the 'Castorland Company' to dispose of the "same."

"The same year or the next several agents of the Company "(Frenchmen) came in to look at the land. They wrote a journal, "called the 'Castorland Journal.' "

This Journal has been translated by Mr. Hough.

Castorland comprised what is now the Northern part of Oswego County, Lewis County, and the Southern half of Jefferson County. There is now a village in Lewis County called Castorland.

The seal of the Castorland Company was oval in form. In the center was a tree and at the tree's base a beaver knawing the trunk. In a semi-circle, over and around the tree, was the legend,

"Compagnie de New York," and below the tree, in two lines, was the word "Castorland."

As to the origin of the name, the State Historian believes that it originated from the quantity of beaver (castor canadensis) which inhabited the land. Therefore, Beaverland or Castorland. It is possible, however, that the Company, finding John Castor living on the property when they purchased it, named it for him.

1. John Castorer, or de Castorer, as he sometimes wrote it, was born in New London, Connecticut, July 16, 1748. He enlisted as a private for service in the Revolutionary War from Spencertown, now Columbia County, New York, in 1776, under Captain Barritt. He re-enlisted in May, 1778, as Orderly Sergeant, under Captain Hatch, Colonel Alden. Commissioned as Ensign in the Summer of 1779, under Captain Hatch, Colonel McNistry and Colonel Hogeboom. He married, in 1770, Anna Calkins, of Canterbury, England, and after the Revolution removed to Redfield, New York, and later to Ellisburg, in the same State, where he died in 1835. He was an educated man and was reputed as a poet and musician. Authority for military record, U. S. Pension Office. Issue:—

2. John b. October 16, 1771, d. February 24, 1865.
3. Christopher b. January 31, 1774, d. September 18, 1840.
4. Cynthia b. January 21, 1776, d. April 27, 1812.
5. Ezra b. February 26, 1778, d. February, 1858.
6. Asa b. February 39, 1781, d. September 14, 1781.
7. Rufus b. August 20, 1782, d. circa, 1862.
8. Rodolphus b. December 4, 1784, d. August 24, 1864.
9. Ira b. May 22, 1787, d. April 2, 1866.
10. Harvey b. September 7, 1791, d. April 25, 1812.

The descendants of John, Christopher, Ezra, Rufus, Rodolphus and Ira are hereafter treated in order of seniority. The

children of John, Rodolphus and Ira called themselves Castor, dropping the final "er" of their father's name. Christopher, Rufus and Ezra dropped the final "er" and their children called themselves Caster.

JOHN CASTOR, No. 2, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

2. John Castor, eldest son of John Castorer, No. 1, was born October 16, 1771. He married Content, youngest daughter of John Whiting, of Liverpool, England, and died February 24, 1865. Issue:—

11. Anna b. 1800.
12. Clara b. circa, 1803.
    These girls married: one a Hoskins, the other a Hutchinson, and both moved to Indiana or Illinois circa 1821. No further knowledge.
13. Lovisa m. John Cory, d. young and childless.
14. Henry b. 1812. Of whom presently.
15. John b. 1814. Of whom presently.
16. William b. 1816. Of whom presently.
17. Chauncey b. 1818. Of whom presently.
18. Cynthia b. 1820. Of whom presently.
19. Betsy b. 1822. Of whom presently.
20. Polly b. 1824. Of whom presently.
21. Julia b. 1826. Of whom presently.

14. Henry Castor, eldest son of John Castor, No. 2, was born in 1812. He married, first, Mary Hart, and second, Cynthia Slater.

Issue by his first wife:—

22. Phila b. 1836. Of whom presently.
23. Julius b. 1838, d. infancy.
24. Alonzo b. August, 1840. Of whom presently.

25. Orlando b. 1842. Of whom presently.
26. David b. 1844, m. Rhoda Glover. Living in Bellingham, Washington. No issue.
27. Patience b. 1846, d. 1858. No issue.
28. John b. 1848. Of whom presently.

Issue by his second wife:—

29. Joseph b. 1857. Of whom presently.
30. Patience b. 1858.
31. Sarah b. 1861. Of whom presently.
32. Mary.
33. Bernice.
34. Madge.
35. Annie m. ——— Foster. Had issue: ———, a son, No. 101.

15. John Castor, second son of John Castor, No. 2, was born in 1814. He lived in Oswego County, New York. He married Esther Washburn.

Issue:—

36. Henry b. 1840. Of whom presently.
37. John b. 1842. Of whom presently.
38. William b. 1844. Killed in the Civil War. No issue.
39. Robert b. 1846. No issue.
40. Charles b. 1847. Of whom presently.
41. Huldah b. 1849. Of whom presently.

16. William Castor, third son of John Castor, No. 2, was born in 1816 and died August 4, 1891. He married Mandy Clemons.

Issue:—

42. Eliza b. 1837. Of whom presently.
43. Fernando b. 1840. Of whom presently.

44. Wallace b. 1844. Of whom presently.
45. Alvin b. 1847. Of whom presently.
46. Theodore b. 1850. Of whom presently.
47. Medora b. 1853. Of whom presently.

17. Chauncey Castor, fourth son of John Castor, No. 2, was born in 1818. He married, 1839, Martha Clemons.

Issue:—

48. Ophelia b. Apr. 27, 1840. Of whom presently.
49. Rosina b. Aug. 28, 1842. Of whom presently.
50. Emeline b. Feb. 17, 1848, twin of ———
51. Eveline b. Feb. 17, 1848. Of whom presently.
52. Albert b. June 15, 1845, m. Mary McCoy. No issue.
53. Leroy b. Jan. 22, 1851. Of whom presently.
54. Brainard b. Aug. 8, 1862, m. Ettie Moyers. No issue.

18. Cynthia Castor, fourth daughter of John Castor, No. 2, was born in 1820 and died in Oswego County, New York, 1902. She married Abraham Hendrix.

Issue:—

55. Philandra Hendrix, m. ——— Perry.
56. Nelson Hendrix.
57. H. Riley Hendrix. Living (1910) in Williamstown, N. Y. Gave much assistance in compiling this work.

19. Betsy Castor, fifth daughter of John Castor, No. 2, was born in 1822. She married John Elmer.

Issue:—

58. William Elmer.
59. Henrietta Elmer.
60. Helen Elmer.

20. Polly Castor, sixth daughter of John Castor, No. 2, was born in 1824. She married ——— Wilcox.

Issue:—

61. Leander Wilcox. In Civil War.
62. Hamilton Wilcox.
63. Oscar Wilcox, d. in Civil War.
64. Jackson Wilcox. In Civil War.
65. Eli Wilcox. In Civil War.
66. Daniel Wilcox.
67. Jorome Wilcox.
68. Emmeline Wilcox.
69. Sophia Wilcox.
70. Marrietta Wilcox.

21. Julia Castor, seventh daughter of John Castor, No. 2, was born 1826 and died 1904. She married Samuel Clemons.

Issue:—

71. Janette Clemons b. 1840. Of whom presently.
72. Monroe Clemons b. 1842.
73. Albert Clemons b. 1844, d. in Civil War.
74. Nancy Clemons b. 1845. Of whom presently.
75. Harriet Clemons b. 1847.

22. Phila Castor, eldest daughter of Henry Castor, No. 14, was born in 1836. She married Charles Widrick.

Issue:—

76. Ruby Widrick d. in her 22nd year.
77. Henry Widrick b. 1860, m. Ella McDougall. Living in Auburn, N. Y.

24. Alonzo Castor, eldest son of Henry Castor, No. 14, who left issue, was born in August, 1840. He enlisted in Company A,

146th N. Y. S. Volunteers, at Utica, New York, August 19, 1862, and was discharged June 22, 1865. He married Mary Margaret, daughter of Luke Robilliard, of St. Anne de Beaupre, Montreal, Canada. Now living in Jordan, N. Y.

Issue:—

78. Elsie Amelia b. Feb. 11, 1871, Redfield, N. Y. Of whom presently.
79. Phila Irene b. Sept. 8, 1873, Redfield, N. Y. Of whom presently.
80. Stephen Bobilliard b. July 17, 1876. Of whom presently.
81. Adeline Eliza b. April 27, 1879.
82. Henry A. Jean b. Apr. 16, 1882. Of whom presently.
83. Joseph Gilbert b. Nov. 4, 1884. Of whom presently.
84. Harry b. May 3, 1887, d. infancy.

25. Orlando Castor, third son of Henry Castor, No. 14, was born in 1842 and died in 1907. He was a member of the same company and regiment as his brother and fought at Andersonville. He married Mary Morrell, called Smart.

Issue:—

85. Gaylord b. 1870, m. Lena Hull. No issue.
86. Frederick b. 1872. Of whom presently.
87. Lily b. 1874. Of whom presently.
88. Myra b. 1876.
89. Blanche b. 1877.
90. Pearl b. 1879. Of whom presently.
91. Raymond b. 1888.
92. Lura b. 1890.
93. Winnifred b. 1896.

28. John Castor, fifth son of Henry Castor, No. 14, was born in 1848. He married ——— Coleman and now lives near Belling-

ham, Washington.

Issue:—

94. Norman. Lives near his father.
95. Edna m. ———.

29. Joseph Castor, sixth son of Henry Castor, No. 14, was by his father's second wife.

Issue:—

96. Mabel.
97. Lizzie or Lily.
98. ———, a son.

31. Sarah Castor, fourth daughter of Henry Castor, No. 14, was by her father's second wife. She was born in 1861. Married ——— McConnell.

Issue:—

99. Elizabeth McConnell.
100. Mary McConnell b. circa 1882, m. Frank Bonner. Living in Ellisburg, Jefferson County, New York.

36. Henry Castor, eldest son of John Castor, No. 15, married Juliette Taylor and lived in Redfield, N. Y.

Issue:—

102. Hattie b. circa 1775, m. Marshall Yerdon, No. 150.
103. Clara, m. Arthur Yerdon, No. 171.
104. Arthur, m. Ethel Castor, No. 160.
105. Maurice, m. Maude Yerdon, daughter of Lester Yerdon, No. 145.

37. John Castor, second son of John Castor, No. 15, was born in 1842. He served in the American Navy. Married Isabelle Day and lived in Redfield, New York.

Issue:—

106. Leola b. between 1875 and 1880, m. Clarence Joselin.
107. William.
108. Floyd.
109. Raymond.
110. Charles.

The last four were not married in 1908.

40. Charles Castor, fifth son of John Castor, No. 15, was born in 1847. He married Seba Streeter and lived near Redfield, New York.

Issue:—

111. Rhoda, a son, now deceased.
112. Letta b. circa 1880, m. Pearly Yerdon, No. 153. Issue, one child.
113. Charles B. circa 1895.

41. Huldah Castor, only daughter of John Castor, No. 15, was born in 1849. She married Everett Giddings.

Issue:—

114. Ettie Giddings. Deceased.
115. Elwin Giddings.
116. Edith Giddings.

Twins.

117. Edwin Giddings.

42. Eliza Castor, eldest daughter of William Castor, No. 16, was born 1837. She married Asariah Wart.

Issue:—

118. Wella Wart.
119. Gilson Wart.

43. Fernando Castor, eldest son of William Castor, No. 16, was born in 1840. He served in the Civil War and married Rose Farley.

Issue:—

120. Frederick Castor (adopted).

44. Wallace Castor, second son of William Castor, No. 16, was born in 1844 and died October 17, 1885. He married Lucy Joyner.

Issue:—

121. Minnie. Of whom presently.
122. Lorenzo d. 1908.
123. Verna m. Arthur Giddings, a brother of Everett Giddings, who m. Huldah Castor, No. 41.
124. Jennie m. Jesse Yerdon, No. 155.
125. Edwin m. Eva, dau. of James Randall. Issue, two daughters.
126. Mabel m. ——— Smith, 1907.

45. Alvin Castor, third son of William Castor, No. 16, was born in 1847. He married Mary, daughter of Abraham Yerdon. Now living in Pulaski, N. Y.

Issue:—

127. Lorena b. Jan. 12, 1871. Of whom presently.
128. Clara b. Jan. 23, 1873.
129. Alvirus b. Oct. 12, 1874, d. Aug. 14, 1898.
130. Ozias b. Dec. 20, 1878.
131. Lilla b. Nov. 14, 1884.
132. Leon b. Sept. 17, 1892.

48. Theodore Castor, fourth son of William Castor, No. 16, was born in 1850. He married Lucy Booth and now lives near

Lacona, N. Y.
Issue:—

133. Orlando b. circa 1875.
134. Eva m. Frank Bovee.
135. Clyde b. circa 1886.
136. Belva.
137. Mina.
138. Blanch.
139. Percy.
140. Elda.
141. Billyword.

47. Medora Castor, second daughter of William Castor, No. 16, was born in 1853. She married Frank Joyner and now lives in Redfield, N. Y.

Issue:—

142. Almyrtie Joyner b. 1878.
143. Marvin Joyner.
144. Grover Joyner b. 1890.

48. Ophelia Castor, eldest daughter of Chauncey Castor, No. 17, was born April 27, 1840. She married Abraham Yerdon.
Issue:—

145. Lester Yerdon b. circa 1865, m. ——— Clemons. His daughter, Maude, m. Maurice Castor, No. 105.
146. Eddie Yerdon.
147. Ella Yerdon.
Twins.
148. Minnie Yerdon m. ——— Munger. Issue, Beulah, who m. ——— Randall.
149. Ernest Yerdon.

Abraham Yerdon married, after the death of his wife,

Ophelia, and had children as follows: William, Norman, Jennie and Annie.

49. Rosina Castor, second daughter of Chauncey Castor, No. 17, was born August 28, 1842. She married Moses Yerdon.

Issue:—

150. Marshall Yerdon b. circa 1868, m. Hattie Castor, No. 102.
151. Ellsworth Yerdon.
152. Alberta Yerdon m. William Taplin.
153. Pearly Yerdon m. Letta Castor, No. 112.

50. Emeline Castor, third daughter of Chauncey Castor, No. 17, was born February 17, 1848. She married Sylvester Yerdon.

Issue:—

154. Alberna Yerdon b. circa 1868, m. Minnie Castor, No. 121.
155. Jesse Yerdon m. Jennie Castor, No. 124.
156. Arden Yerden.
157. Nellie Yerden.

51. Eveline Castor, fourth daughter of Chauncey Castor, No. 17, was twin with her sister, Emeline. She married William Ward.

Issue:—

158. Lulu Ward. Single in 1908.

53. Leroy Castor, second son of Chauncey Castor, No. 17, was born January 22, 1851. He married Hattie Barber. Living near Redfield, N. Y.

Issue:—

159. Isora b. circa 1785, m. ——— Streeter. Issue, several children.

160. Ethel m. Arthur Castor, No. 104.
161. Ruben.
162. Edna.

71. Janette Clemons, eldest daughter of Julia Castor, No. 21, was born in 1840. She married John Barber and now lives in Greensboro, N. Y.

Issue:—

163. Mary Barber.
164. Hattie Barber m. Leroy Castor, No. 53.
165. William.
166. Erwin.
167. Charles.
168. Lorenzo.
169. Alonzo.
170. Bert.

74. Nancy Clemons, second daughter of Julia Castor, No. 21, was born 1845. She married Ephraim Yerdon. Nancy was of great assistance in preparing this work.

Issue:—

171. Arthur Yerdon m. Clara Castor, No. 103.
172. Clara Yerdon.

78. Elsie Amelia Castor, eldest daughter of Alonzo Castor, No. 24, was born in Redfield, N. Y., Feb. 11, 1871. Married Pardon M., son of Marshall Bemis, of Ellisburgh, N. Y.

173. Barbara I. Bemis b. Mar. 4, 1896.
174. Esther Bemis b. Mar. 27, 1900.

79. Phila Irene Castor, second daughter of Alonzo Castor, No. 24, was born September 8, 1873, in Redfield, N. Y. Married

Elmer Hewitt and lives in Weedsport, N. Y.
Issue:—

175. Lillian Irene Hewitt b. Sept. 14, 1901.
176. Olive Margaret Hewitt b. Dec. 12, 1904.
177. Edith Henrietta Hewitt b. 1907.

80. Stephen Robilliard Castor, eldest son of Alonzo Castor, No. 24, was born July 17, 1876. Married Caroline, daughter of Leroy Crim. Now living 104 Whittier Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y. Connected with the Franklin Auto Company.
Issue:—

178. Helen Beatrice Castor b. Jan. 10, 1904.

82. Henry A. Jean Castor, second son of Alonzo Castor, No. 24, was born April 16, 1882, in Victor Township, Cayuga Co., N. Y. Married S. Caroline, daughter of John Miller, of Syracuse, N. Y. Now living in Fulton, N. Y. Connected with the State Engineers' Department.
Issue:—

179. John Gilbert Baird Castor b. Dec. 16, 1909.

83. Joseph Gilbert Castor, third son of Alonzo Castor, No. 24, was born November 4, 1884, in Victor Township, Cayuga Co., N. Y. Married February 2, 1910, Jessie Cox, of Jordan, N. Y. Joseph lives in Jordan, N. Y., and is connected with the Franklin Auto Company of Syracuse.

86. Frederick Castor, second son of Orlando Castor, No. 25, was born in 1872. Married Josephine O'Rielly.
Issue:—

180. Anna Isabelle b. 1905.

87. Lily Castor, eldest daughter of Orlando Castor, No. 25,

was born 1874. Married Frank Chapman and lives in Auburn, N. Y.
Issue:—

181. Neal Burdett Chapman b. Nov. 14, 1894.
182. Damon Webster Chapman b. Mar. 4, 1896.
183. Howard Dewitt Chapman b. Sept. 9, 1899.

90. Pearl Castor, fourth daughter of Orlando Castor, No. 25, was born 1879. She married ——— Timeison.
Issue:—

184. Nellie Timeison b. May, 1901.
185. Paul Timeison b. Oct. 21, 1904.

121. Minnie Castor, eldest daughter of Wallace Castor, No. 44, married Alberna Yerdon, No. 154.
Issue:—

186. Edwin Yerdon b. 1892.

127. Lorena Castor, eldest daughter of Alvin Castor, No. 45, was born January 12, 1871. Married Myron Clemons.
Issue:—

187. Herman Clemons b. 1904.

CHRISTOPHER CASTOR, No. 3, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Christopher Castor, second son of John Castorer, No. 1, was born January 31, 1774, and died September 18, 1840, and was buried in the Ford Cemetery, Red Creek, New York. He married, previous to 1795, in Herkimer County, New York, Eunice Wilson. His descendants spell their name with an e instead of an o, as has already been noted.

Issue:—

188. Louisa b. July 12, 1796. Of whom presently.
189. Ira b. Feb. 22, 1798. Of whom presently.
190. Belinda b. Mar. 27, 1800. Of whom presently.
191. Chester. Record lost. Was a bachelor.
192. Sophia. No record. Of whom presently.
193. Julia b. 1808, d. Dec. 25, 1860. Spinster.

188. Louisa Caster, eldest daughter of Christopher Castor, No. 3, was born July 12, 1796, and died August 23, 1871. She married, in 1816, John Ford, who was born January 20, 1792, and died January 9, 1887.

Issue:—

194. Eunice Angeline Ford b. March 25, 1817.
195. Lucy Maria Ford b. July 10, 1819, d. Aug. 24, 1882.
196. Calvin C. Ford b. Oct. 24, 1823.
197. Louisa Jane Ford b. Mar. 21, 1827.
198. Amanzo Ford b. Nov. 17, 1832.

189. Ira Caster, eldest son of Christopher Castor, No. 3, was born February 22, 1798. He married Élizabeth Granger, who was born April 11, 1794, and died May 17, 1877.

Issue:—

199. Cynthia b. July 19, 1820. Of whom presently.
200. Leonard b. May 20, 1822. Of whom presently.
201. Lovina b. Nov. 6, 1823, d. Oct. 3, 1842.
202. Cuyler b. Nov. 27, 1825. Of whom presently.
203. Esther b. Sept. 25, 1827. Of whom presently.
204. Julia b. Dec. 9, 1829. Of whom presently.
205. Willard b. Jan. 29, 1833. Of whom presently.

190. Belinda Caster, second daughter of Christopher Castor, No. 3, was born March 27, 1800. She married John Caywood, who was born March 25, 1799, and died December, 1878.

Issue:—

206. Louise Caywood.
207. Emeline Caywood.
208. Christopher Caywood.
209. Charles Caywood.
210. Ruth Caywood.
211. Eunice Caywood.
212. Alonzo Caywood.
213. Sarah Caywood.
214. William Caywood.
215. Norman Caywood.
216. Manville Caywood.
217. Agusta Caywood.
218. Ira Caster Caywood.

All born between 1822 and 1849 in Wayne and Cayuga Counties, New York.

192. Sophia Caster, third daughter of Christopher Castor, No. 3, married Chamberlain Fuller.

Issue:—

219. Adon Fuller.
220. Belinda Fuller.
221. Sarepta Fuller.
222. John Fuller.

199. Cynthia Caster, eldest daughter of Ira Caster, No. 189, was born July 19, 1820. She married, May 8, 1842, George W. D. Churchill.

Issue:—

223. Emma Churchill. Of whom presently.

200. Leonard Caster, eldest son of Ira Caster, No. 189, was born May 20, 1822. He lived in Red Creek, N. Y. Married, 1853, Harriett Quivey.

Issue:—

224. Frank b. May 20, 1855, d. unmarried.
225. Albert b. May 26, 1857, d. in infancy.
226. Charles L. b. Dec. 17, 1858. Of whom presently.
227. Laura b. Nov. 12, 1860, m. Nov. 15, 1893, James Taylor. No issue.
228. Rhoda b. Feb. 26, 1863. Of whom presently.
229. Sarah b. Jan. 16, 1866, m. Mar. 8, 1893, Walter Mack. No issue.
230. Frederick b. Mar. 15, 1868. Of whom presently.
231. Ira b. Oct. 14, 1870. Of whom presently.
232. Erwin b. Aug. 12, 1873. Of whom presently.
233. Mate b. Nov. 14, 1874. Of whom presently.

202. Cuyler Caster, second son of Ira Caster, No. 189, was born November 27, 1825. He married, May 4, 1848, Ellen Jane Gought.

Issue:—

234. Harriet Adelia b. May 22, 1853. Of whom presently.
235. Stephen b. Aug. 20, 1855. Of whom presently.
236. George b. 1860. Of whom presently.

203. Esther Caster, third daughter of Ira Caster, No. 189, was born September 25, 1827. She married, May 1, 1850, Loron Gray.

Issue:—

237. Adelaide Gray.
238. Juliette Gray.
239. Willard Gray, Secretary Y. M. C. A., Haverhill, Mass.
240. Clarissa Gray.

204. Julia Caster, fourth daughter of Ira Caster, No. 189, was born December 9, 1829. She married, October 24, 1850, William Moffet.

Issue:—

241. Lovina Moffet b. July 15, 1851, m. William McMullen. Living in Red Creek, N. Y.
242. Phoebe Moffet b. Oct. 31, 1856, d. Sept. 11, 1865.

205. Willard Caster, third son of Ira Caster, No. 189, was born January 29, 1833. He married Clara Bunce.

Issue:—

243. Caroline b. 1865, d. Oct. 17, 1904.
244. Arthur Everett b. Sept. 12, 1867, d. Feb. 24, 1869.
245. Edward G. b. May 2, 1869. Of whom presently.
246. Nora Belle b. May 11, 1873.

247. Arthur Leverne b. 1878.
248. Maude b. Jan. 21, 1887.

223. Emma Churchill, daughter of Cynthia Caster, No. 199, and George W. D. Churchill, married, January 26, 1870, Alfred W. Hayes. Mrs. Hayes resides in Haverhill, Mass.

Issue:—

249. Alfred C. Hayes b. April 24, 1872, d. May 10, 1872.

226. Charles L. Caster, third son of Leonard Caster, No. 200, was born December 17, 1858. He married, March 11, 1883, Jennie Wells.

Issue:—

250. Flossie b. Oct. 30, 1885.
251. Nelsen b. Jan. 10, 1887.
252. Wells b. Jan. 7, 1893.
253. Bois b. Apr. 5, 1897.
254. Ruth b. Oct. 5, 1902.

228. Rhoda Caster, second daughter of Leonard Caster, No. 200, was born November 12, 1860. She married first, 1880, C. Quivey, who died 1889. Married second, February 26, 1891, Ellsworth Spoor. No issue by first husband.

Issue:—

255. Glenn Spoor.
256. Roy Spoor.
257. Esther Spoor.
258. Gladys Spoor.
259. Harriet Spoor.

230. Frederick Caster, fourth son of Leonard Caster, No. 200, was born March 15, 1868. He married, October 18, 1899,

Mabel Blain.

Issue:—

260. Jesse Herbert b. June, 1902.

261. Frank Abram b. March, 1905.

231. Ira Caster, fifth son of Leonard Caster, No. 200, was born October 4, 1870. He married, January 19, 1902, Agnes Miner.

Issue:—

262. Doris b. 1903.

263. Carl b. 1905.

264. A son.

232. Erwin Caster, sixth son of Leonard Caster, No. 200, was born August 12, 1873. He married, October 27, 1897, Myrtle Ridgway.

Issue:—

265. Alice b. 1900.

233. Mate Caster, fourth daughter of Leonard Caster, No. 200, was born November 14, 1874. She married, November 24, 1901, William Devoll, and now lives in Wolcott, New York.

Issue:—

266. Leonard Devoll b. June, 1903.

234. Harriet Adelia Caster, eldest daughter of Cuyler Caster, No. 202, was born May 22, 1853. She married, February 8, 1872, M. H. Fenn, and is now living in Wolcott, New York.

Issue:—

267. Marion Fenn b. Sept., 1874.

235. Stephen Caster, eldest son of Cuyler Caster, No. 202, was born August 20, 1855. He married, December 21, 1876, Ida

Wadsworth, and is now living in Wolcott, New York.

Issue:—

268. Howard b. August 2, 1879.
269. Wilber b. March 5, 1881.
270. Gillett b. April 28, 1887.

236. George Caster, second son of Cuyler Caster, No. 202, was born in 1860. He married, April, 1879, Edith Sedore, and now lives in Wolcott, New York.

Issue:—

271. Everett b. Oct. 31, 1879.
272. Lester b. Oct. 6, 1883.
273. Ellen b. Oct. 27, 1884, d. Sept. 6, 1885.
274. Fannie b. August 17, 1887.

245. Edward Caster, second son of Willard Caster, No. 205, was born May 2, 1869. He married, December 24, 1897, Edith Hersey.

Issue:—

275. Edward Caster b. Sept. 14, 1898.

EZRA CASTOR, No. 5, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Ezra Castor, third son of John Castorer, No. 1, was born February 26, 1878. He married, September 28, 1800, Rhoda, daughter of John Whiting. The marriage took place in Oswego County, New York, and shortly afterward they moved to Michigan.

Issue:—

276. Christopher Caster b. June 25, 1801. Of whom presently.
277. Abigail Caster b. Feb. 6, 1803. Of whom presently.
278. Horace Caster b. Feb. 13, 1806, m. Dec. 6, 1835, Margaret Anderson. No further record. Believed to have left a family in Michigan.
279. Celinda Caster b. Dec. 8, 1808. Of whom presently.
280. Charity Caster b. March 19, 1811. Of whom presently.
281. Ezra Caster b. Sept. 20, 1814. Of whom presently.
282. George Caster b. Apr. 8, 1816. Of whom presently.
283. Harvey Caster b. Sept. 14, 1819. Of whom presently.
284. Henry Caster b. Sept. 23, 1823. Of whom presently.
285. Lurinda b. July 23, 1826, d. April 9, 1834.

276. Christopher Caster, eldest son of Ezra Caster, No. 5, was born June 25, 1801. He married, June 27, 1821, Mary Hendricks.

Issue:—

286. Adeline b. 1822, d. 1822.
287. Abigail b. 1824. Of whom presently.
288. Wesley S. b. June 29, 1826. Of whom presently.

289. Lovina I. b. July 27, 1828. Of whom presently.
290. Rhoda A. b. August 23, 1830. Of whom presently.
291. Catherine C. b. Jan. 26, 1833. Of whom presently.
292. Elisha E. b. Mar. 19, 1835. Of whom presently.
293. Albert H. b. February 24, 1838, m. Marrila Wheeler. Veteran of Civil War. No known issue.
294. Lawton C. b. Sept. 3, 1840. Of whom presently.
295. Marvina A. b. Feb. 1, 1842. Of whom presently.

277. Abigail Caster, eldest daughter of Ezra Castor, No. 5, was born February 6, 1803. She married Peter Hendricks.

Issue:—

296. Simon Hendricks.
297. Lucius Hendricks.
298. Willard Hendricks.
299. Rhoda Hendricks.
300. Celinda Hendricks.
301. Amelia Hendricks.
302. Eliza Hendricks.
303. Ophelia Hendricks.

279. Celinda Caster, second daughter of Ezra Castor, No. 5, was born December 8, 1808. She married Uriah Marsh.

Issue:—

304. Rhoda Marsh, now Mrs. Rhoda Buck, Camden, Michigan.

280. Charity Castor, third daughter of Ezra Castor, No. 5, was born March 19, 1811. She married first, George Brundson, and second, Ezra Barnes. She died June 3, 1884.

Issue:—

305. Alletha Barnes b. 1850, d. 1879.

306. Myron E. Barnes b. 1854, m. Clarissa ———. Issue, Floyd A. and Adelbert H. Barnes, born 1878 and 1888.

281. Ezra Caster, third son of Ezra Castor, No. 5, was born September 20, 1814. He married, January 17, 1839, Eleanor Hand, and died December 3, 1847.

Issue:—

307. Charles. Record lost.
308. Harriet. Deceased.

282. George Caster, fourth son of Ezra Castor, No. 5, was born April 18, 1816. He married, April 20, 1839, Clarissa Andrus.

Issue:—

309. Amos B. b. 1840.
310. Elon A. b. 1842. Of whom presently.
311. G. Dallas b. 1848. Of whom presently.
312. Emily P. b. 1852. Of whom presently.
313. Chandler D. b. 1854. Of whom presently.

283. Harvey Caster, fifth son of Ezra Castor, No. 5, was born September 14, 1819. He married, February 24, 1846, Amanda Perham. They lived in Wolverine, Mich.

Issue:—

314. Marian b. 1845.
315. Ida b. 1847.
316. Lydia b. 1849.
317. Wellington b. 1853. Living in Saskatchawan, Canada.
318. Harriet b. 1856.

284. Henry Horatio Caster, sixth son of Ezra Castor, No. 5, was born September 23, 1823. He married, March 27, 1845, in Galen, Wayne County, New York, Clarissa Hand. He died June 6, 1899.

Issue:—

319. Richmond Ezra b. Wayne County, N. Y., 1851. Lives in Hackley, Vilas Co., Wisconsin. No issue.

320. Byrom M. b. Wayne County, N. Y., 1861. Of whom presently.

287. Abigail Caster, second daughter of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born in 1824. She married William Owens.

Issue:—

321. Melissa Owens.

322. Loretta Owens.

323. Albert Owens.

324. Hattie Owens.

288. Wesley S. Caster, eldest son of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born June 29, 1826. He married first, Cordelia Sherman, by whom he had no issue. He married second, Adelia Blowers. Wesley died April 19, 1883.

Issue:—

325. Dewitt b. 1859. Of whom presently.

326. Emma b. 1861. Lives in Holly, Mich.

327. Edwin b. 1863. Lives (1910) in Virginia.

328. Eldora b. 1865. Lives in Bay City, Mich.

329. Alice b. 1867. Lives in Flint, Mich.

330. Ira b. 1869. Lives in Linden, Mich.

289. Lovina Caster, third daughter of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born July 27, 1828. She married Abner Sanders and died March, 1901.

Issue:—

331. Jane Sanders.

332. Emma Sanders.

333. Rhoda Sanders.
334. Hattie Sanders.
335. William Sanders.

290. Rhoda A. Caster, fourth daughter of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born August 23, 1830. She married David Foster and died November 21, 1854.

Issue:—

336. Franklin Foster.
337. Riley Foster.

291. Catherine C. Caster, fifth daughter of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born January 26, 1833. She married Elisha Mott and now lives in Holly, Mich.

Issue:—

338. Eugene Mott.
339. Christopher Mott.
340. Rosallie Mott.
341. Minna Mott.
342. Dora Mott.

292. Elisha E. Caster, second son of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born March 19, 1835. He married first, Harriet Whitbeck, by whom he had no issue. He married second, Harriet Wilbur. They live in Plymouth, Michigan, where he is Minister of the M. E. Church.

Issue:—

343. Arthur b. 1867.
344. Ella b. 1869, m. Prof. S. Burnham. Now living in West Chester, Pa.
345. Florence b. 1873.
346. Wilbur b. 1879. Of whom presently.

294. Lawton C. Caster, fourth son of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born September 3, 1840. He married Lydia Crosby and now lives in Eastwood, Mich.

Issue:—

347. Frederick b. 1870.
348. William b. 1872.
349. Harry b. 1874.
350. Lilly b. 1877.
351. Anna.
352. Iva.
353. Herbert b. 1884.

295. Marvina Caster, fifth daughter of Christopher Caster, No. 276, was born February 1, 1842. She married William Shook, and died February 12, 1906.

Issue:—

354. Kittie Shook.

310. Elon A. Caster, second son of George Caster, No. 282, was born in 1842. Living in Dowiagiac, Mich.

Issue:—

355. Edith b. circa 1879.

311. G. Dallas Caster, third son of George Caster, No. 282, was born in 1848. Living in Dowiagiac, Mich.

Issue:—

356. Veva.
357. King b. circa 1880.

312. Emily P. Caster, eldest daughter of George Caster, No. 282, was born in 1852. She married ——— Rolf. Living in Dowiagiac, Mich.

Issue:—

358. Jennie C. Rolf.

313. Chandler D. Caster, fourth son of George Castor, No. 282, was born in 1854. He lives in Dowiagiac, Mich.

Issue:—

359. Hazel b. 1884.

320. Byrom M. Caster, second son of Henry Horatio Caster, No. 284, was born in Wayne County, N. Y., 1861. He married Diana I. Bement and now lives in Buffalo, N. Y.

Issue:—

360. Helen M. b. 1890.
361. Julian H. b. 1892.
362. Frederick B. b. 1897.

325. Dewitt Caster, eldest son of Wesley S. Caster, No. 288, was born in 1859. He married in 1883, and now lives in Holly, Mich.

Issue:—

363. Ina b. 1885.
364. Clara b. 1887.

346. Wilbur Caster, second son of Elisha E. Caster, No. 292, was born in 1879. He is married and is Pastor of a Church in Detroit, Mich.

Issue:—

365. Eleanor Ruth b. Detroit, Mich., Nov. 22, 1908.

RUFUS CASTOR, No. 7, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Rufus Castor, fifth son of John Castorer, No. 1, was born August 20, 1782. He married Anna Young and died circa 1862. His children were all born in Oneida and Oswego Counties, New York. Issue:—

366. Cornelia m. Nelson Swinney. Children all died young.
367. Maria m. ——— MacKumber. Issue, four children, d. Detroit, Mich., 1852.
368. Surinda m. Henry Maginess, d. Oswego Co., N. Y.
369. Joseph d. age three years.
370. Emily m. first, James, and second, Asa Robson. No further record.
371. James. Said to have died in Collinswood, Canada, West. Left a large family, but have failed to locate them. James was born about 1818.
372. Harvey b. circa 1820, m. Elmira Heathe, of Rosse, N. Y. Supposed to have died in Missouri, leaving a family.
373. Matilda b. circa 1823, m. Albert Porter. Issue, Albert, Frederick and Frank Porter.
374. Charity b. circa 1825. Married ——— Mott. Charity Mott was living, in 1909, at 90 Williams Avenue, Detroit, Mich. A letter addressed to her in January, 1910, failed to find her. She has a son in Lansing, Mich., one in Louisville, Ky., and a daughter in Chicago.

RODOLPHUS CASTOR, No. 8, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Rodolphus Castor, sixth son of John Castorer, No. 1, was born December 4, 1784, and died August 24, 1864. He married Amanda Wilson. All of his children were born and raised in the town of Florence, Oneida County, N. Y.

Issue:—

375. Nancy b. 1813, m. ——— Ackerman, d. Oswego Co., N. Y., 1878. No issue.
376. Alva H. b. 1815, d. Mannsville, N. Y., 1880. No known issue.
377. Almira d. Fowler, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y.
378. Malvina. Of whom presently.
379. Henry James b. 1823. Of whom presently.
380. Achsah. Of whom presently.
381. Theodore Wilson. Of whom presently.
382. Cleantha m. ——— Purdy. Living in Syracuse, N. Y.

378. Malvina Castor, third daughter of Rodolphus Castor, No. 8, married ——— Balcom. She died in Juinetta, Nebraska, 1880.

Issue:—

383. James Balcom. Living in Holbrook, Neb.
384. Allie. Living in Juinetta, Neb., m. ——— Hogg.

379. Henry James Castor, second son of Rodolphus Castor, No. 8, was born in 1823 and died in Pine River, Wis., 1909.

Issue:—

385. Edwin b. 1850, d. Pine River, Wis., 1890.

386. Delora b. 1851, d. 1886.

387. Herbert b. 1858. Is a teacher and lives in Lacrescent, Minn.

380. Achsah Castor, third daughter of Rodolphus Castor, No. 8, married first, ——— Davidson; second, ——— Montague. She died in Berlin, Wisconsin, 1870.

Issue:—

388. Henry Davidson. Living in West Superior, Wis.

389. Achsah S. Living in Waupaca, Wisconsin.

381. Theodore Wilson Castor, third son of Rodolphus Castor, No. 8, married twice, by his first wife, Sarah Hampsen, whom he married in Waupaca, Wisconsin, and who died in 1863, he had—

Issue:—

390. Winnifred b. Mar. 5, 1861. Of whom presently.

391. Libbie Sarah b. 1863, d. 1864.

By his second wife, Mary McKittrick, of Berlin, Wisconsin, whom he married August 19, 1866, he had—

Issue:—

392. Hugh W. b. 1867, d. 1879.

393. John H. b. 1869, d. 1879.

394. Mark Twain b. Oct. 23, 1871. Of whom presently.

395. Sarah Agnes b. April 14, 1873.

396. Mary Elizabeth b. Nov. 15, 1875.

397. Margaret Anna b. Aug. 11, 1878.

398. Nellie Jane b. Dec. 28, 1880.

399. Charles Henry b. July 18, 1884.

390. Winnifred Castor, eldest daughter of Theodore Wilson Castor, No. 381, was born March 5, 1861. She married John Owen

Johnson and now lives in Underwood, Iowa.

Issue:—

400. John C. Johnson b. 1898.
401. Charles W. Johnson b. 1900.
402. Ralph Chester Johnson b. 1902.
403. Clarence F. Johnson b. 1904.

394. Mark Twain Castor, third son of Theodore Wilson Castor, No. 381, by his second wife, was born Oct. 23, 1871. He married, September 23, 1900, in Wahoo, Nebraska, Elizabeth Watson. They reside in Lincoln, Neb.

Issue:—

404. Margaret Mae b. Sept. 10, 1901.
405. Della Francis b. Mar. 1, 1903.

IRA CASTOR, No. 9, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Ira Castor, seventh son of John Castorer, No. 1, was born May 22, 1787. He married Chloe Loomis, in Redfield, Oswego County, New York, January 28, 1812. He died April 2, 1866.

Issue:—

406. William Hervey b. April 22, 1813. Of whom presently.
407. Charles Henry b. Feb. 19, 1816. Of whom presently.
408. Charles Angeline b. Jan. 24, 1818. Of whom presently.
409. George Sherman b. Sept. 6, 1820. Of whom presently.
410. Mary Ann b. Aug. 6, 1822. Of whom presently.
411. Charlotte Maria b. Aug. 24, 1824. Of whom presently.
412. Chester Loomis b. Sept. 18, 1827. Of whom presently.
413. Olive Alvira b. May 5, 1830. Of whom presently.
414. Sarah Jane b. Nov. 29, 1834. Of whom presently.

406. William Hervey Castor, eldest son of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born in Redfield, N. Y., April 22, 1813. He married Ellen, daughter of Thomas Hubbard.

Issue:—

415. Laura E. b. Nov. 15, 1844. Of whom presently.
416. Herbert E. b. April 22, 1849. Of whom presently.

407. Charles Henry Castor, second son of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born in Redfield, February 19, 1816. He married Abbie, daughter of Timothy Cornwall.

Issue:—

417. Charles Henry b. 1845. Of whom presently.
418. Edwin I. b. 1847. Of whom presently.

408. Eliza Angeline Castor, eldest daughter of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born in Redfield, Jan'y 24, 1818. She married Welcome Daniel Marshall, and died in Springvale, Wisconsin, 1872.
Issue:—

419. Lucretia A. Marshall b. June 25, 1839, in LaMartine, Wis.
420. William George Marshall b. May 25, 1842, at Lime, N.Y.
421. Sherman Q. Marshall b. Sept. 3, 1846, in Oakfield, Wis.
422. Leverna Adella Marshall b. May 4, 1850, in LaMartine, Wis.
423. Chloe Jane Marshall b. Mar. 7, 1853, in LaMartine, Wis.

409. George Sherman Castor, third son of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born September 6, 1820, in Redfield. He married Esther, daughter of Levi Washburn, and died in Orwell, N. Y., 1874.
Issue:—

424. George Levi b. May 10, 1850, in Adams, N. Y. Of whom presently.
425. Levernia A. b. Jan. 16, 1857, in Wisconsin. Of whom presently.
426. Henry Adorna b. July 13, 1858, in Ellisburg, N. Y. Of whom presently.
427. Martha Ella b. Aug. 10, 1860, in Ellisburg, N. Y. Of whom presently.
428. Edgar Ellsworth b. Sept. 6, 1862, in Ellisburg, N. Y. Of whom presently.
429. Laura Amelia b. April 28, 1868, in Orwell, N. Y. Of whom presently.

410. Mary Ann Castor, second daughter of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born August 6, 1822. She married William, son of Ralph Haff, of Johnstown, N. Y.

Issue:—

430. George E. Haff b. 1847, Cape Vincent, N. Y. Living in Red Granite, Wis.

431. Ella Haff b. 1851 in Ellisburg, N. Y., d. 1877, Brandon, Wis.

432. Minnie Haff b. 1859 in Ellisburg, N. Y.

411. Charlotte Maria Castor, third daughter of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born Aug. 24, 1824. She married Henry A., son of Alvah Parker.

Issue:—

433. Evelyn L. Parker b. 1849, in Ellisburg, N. Y., d. 1881, Pierpont Manor, N. Y.

434. Charles H. Parker b. 1862, Rome, N. Y., d. 1894, Rome, N. Y.

412. Chester Loomis Castor, fourth son of Ira Castor, No. 9. was born September 18, 1827.

Issue:—

435. Adelbert. Has a family and resides in Iowa.

413. Olive Alvira Castor, fourth daughter of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born May 5, 1830. She married Jerome R., son of Joseph Allen.

Issue:—

436. Adelaide E. Allen b. 1857, Cape Vincent, N. Y.

437. Herbert H. Allen b. 1859, Pierpont Manor, N. Y., d. in infancy.

414. Sarah Jane Castor, fifth daughter of Ira Castor, No. 9, was born November 29, 1834. She married John G., son of Antony Tripp.

Issue:—

438. Mary Francis Tripp b. 1864, in Ellisburg, N. Y., d. 1885, Grange Co., Ohio.

439. Claude Eugene Tripp b. 1866, in Ellisburg, N. Y., d. 1900, Cherokee Co., Iowa.

415. Laura E. Castor, only daughter of William Hervey Castor, No. 406, was born November 15, 1844, on the Northern Peninsula of Michigan. She married Edgar H., son of H. D. Gallup. They live in Niles, Michigan.

Issue:—

440. Arthur H. Gallup b. Oct. 11, 1885, in Niles, Mich.

416. Herbert E. Castor, only son of William Hervey Castor, No. 406, was born in Green Bay, Wisconsin, April 22, 1849. He married Nellie, daughter of James Stuart, of Chicago.

Issue:—

441. H. Earle b. Mar. 13, 1886, Chicago, Ill.

442. Cherry F. b. Mar. 4, 1892, Chicago, Ill.

443. Hazel E. b. Mar. 20, 1895, Chicago, Ill.

417. Charles Henry Castor, elder son of Charles Henry Castor, No. 407, was born in 1845. He married first, Emmeline A. Buell, in 1867, who died in 1881. Married second, Marion Ackley, in 1882. Living in the Wardell Settlement, Jefferson County, N.Y.

Issue:—

444. Minnie b. 1875, m. Bert Wiswell.

418. Edwin I. Castor, second son of Charles Henry Castor, No. 407, was born in 1847.

Issue:—

445. Letta b. circa 1875, m. Charles Cooper. Living in Syracuse, N. Y. Has two sons.

424. George Levi Castor, eldest son of George Sherman Castor, No. 409, was born in Adams, N. Y., May 10, 1850. He married Lizzie J. Salisbury, of Orwell, N. Y.

Issue:—

446. Maude E. b. 1875, in Pulaski, N. Y., d. 1895.
447. Jay S. b. 1878, in Pulaski, N. Y. Of whom presently.
448. Lois E. b. 1893, in Pulaski, N. Y.

425. Levernia A. Castor, eldest daughter of George Sherman Castor, No. 409, was born in Wisconsin, January 16, 1857. She married Munroe Bemis, in Ellisburg, N. Y. After the death of her husband, Levernia married Henry Barott.

Issue:—

449. Herbert Barott.
450. Elmer Barott.

426. Henry Adorna Castor, second son of George Sherman Castor, No. 409, was born in Ellisburg, N. Y., July 13, 1858. He married Ellen Snow and now lives in Bonapart, N. Y.

Issue:—

451. Burley Castor b. 1880.
452. Sherman.
453. Andrews.
454. Alice m. Nathan Fowles.
455. Mabel.
456. Edith.

427. Martha Ella Castor, second daughter of George Sherman Castor, No. 409, was born in Ellisburg, N. Y., August 10, 1860. She married Floyd Mattieson and they lived in Ellisburg until 1908.

Issue:—

457. Lynn L. Mattieson b. 1882.

458. Emma Mattieson b. 1886.

428. Edgar Ellsworth Castor, third son of George Sherman Castor, No. 409, was born in Ellisburg, N. Y., September 6, 1862. He married Jennie Smith and is now a druggist and lives in Manchester, N. H.

Issue:—

459. Amasa b. 1898.

429. Laura Amelia Castor, third daughter of George Sherman Castor, No. 409, was born in Orwell, N. Y., April 28, 1868. She married George Nye Atwood and now lives in Fernwood, N. Y.

Issue:—

460. Olive Adelaide Atwood b. 1886, m. ——— Mainwaring.

461. Esther Viola Atwood b. 1908.

447. Jay S. Castor, elder son of George Levi Castor, No. 424, was born in Pulaski, N. Y., 1878. He married Janette Andrews in 1899.

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462. Liela b. Nov. 5, 1906, Fulton, N. Y.

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